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Search me, O

God, and know my heart.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy

God with all thy heart. And ye shall

seek me and find me, when ye shall search

for me with all your heart. With the heart man

believeth unto righteousness. Thy law is within my

heart. Let the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy

heart fervently. Thy law is within my heart. Unite my heart to fear thy name. Thy word have I hid in my heart that I

might not sin against thee. Let my heart be sound in thy statutes. Thy testimonies are the rejoicing of my heart. Create

within me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues

of life. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. God gave him another heart. Ye shall lay up these very words in

your heart. Now set your heart and soul to seek the Lord your God. I will give them an heart to know me that I am the

Lord, and they shall be my people and I will be their God, for they shall return unto me with their whole heart. After those

days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts, and be their God; and

they shall be my people. The Lord looketh on the heart. The statutes of the Lord are right rejoicing the heart.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart. A new heart also will I give you and a new spirit

will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and I will give you an

heart of flesh. Ye became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching whereunto ye were

delivered. As servants of Christ doing the will of God from the heart. Let us draw near

with a true heart in fullness of faith. Thou hast put gladness in my heart. God is

the strength of my heart. My heart said unto thee thy face Lord will I seek. My

heart shall rejoice in thy salvation. Was not our heart burning within us, while

he spake to us in the way, while he opened to us the scriptures? The

multitude that believed were of one heart. I will praise thee, O Lord,

with my whole heart. Where thy treasure is there will thy

heart be also. Let not your heart be troubled; believe in

God; believe also in me. Teach us to number our

days, that we may apply our hearts unto

wisdom. I will walk within my

house with a perfect

heart.

sight. My

heart is fixed, O God, my

heart is fixed. God is the

strength of my heart, and my portion

forever. My heart and my flesh crieth out

for the living God. When thou saidst, Seek ye

my face, my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Jehovah,

will I seek. My heart is glad. Love one another with a pure

THROUGH FLORIDA IN AN AUTOBOMBLE

By W. A. McComb

From Gulfport to Miami via Mobile, Pensacola, Tallahassee, Gainesville, Ocala, Tampa, St. Petersburg and Ft. Myers our speedometer registered 1090 miles. About 90 miles of that was used driving around sight-seeing in the towns and cities we passed through.

The first point of interest was the State College for Women at Tallahassee. Next was the State University, with a beautiful, large campus and 2600 students at Gainesville, Fla.

At Ocala we visited Silver Springs, one of the under water wonders of the world. These springs form a pool from 7 to 40 feet deep and from this pool a river starts which is navigable to the Atlantic Ocean. Boats from Europe anchor on the wharf of these springs. You see the bottom of these springs through a glass bottom boat. One sees many wonderful fish and grasses and rock formations, as the water is as clear as a crystal.

Tampa has 150,000 people, and 18 Baptist Churches. We inspected the Cuban and Italian missions under the Home Mission Board. The South Florida Fair was on, and we saw fine exhibits of Florida products.

Crossing a causeway, said to be 6 miles, connects Tampa and St. Petersburg. St. Petersburg has about 30,000 tourists at this time. Dr. Lincoln McConnell is Pastor of the First Church. Dr. Geo. H. Crutcher of Grace and Bro. Carl O'Neal another. They were all enthusiastic in their work. Dr. and Mrs. Crutcher showed us the city and insisted on having us to lunch with them. They are royal souls. I wish one of our good Mississippi churches would capture Dr. Crutcher and bring him into the best Baptist State in the South and U. S.

From St. Petersburg we made a ferry trip of 15 miles across to Pinnie Point, and thus saved a 45 mile drive back through Tampa. At Pinnie Point we took the new Tamiami Trail through Ft. Myers and the Everglades of 250 miles to Miami. On this trail we passed the estates of Ringling Bros., Henry Ford, Edison and a few other celebrities. Down this "West Coast" is marvelous, and one surprise after another awaits the tourist.

If I were asked to name three striking characteristics of Florida, I would say: Good roads, beautiful lakes and wonderful citrus groves. Grapefruit sells for 25c per dozen and a dollar per bushel; oranges 10c per dozen or 50c per bushel. They are so sweet you need no sugar on your grapefruit. The roads are a joy to the motorist. Forty-five miles an hour is the legal speed limit, but it is difficult to hold even a Dodge down within speed limit, and the high powered cars go from 60 to 75 miles per hour. From Gulfport to Miami we averaged about 35 miles per hour, covering the distance of 1090 miles in 30 hours.

Miami is the most beautiful and wonderful city we have visited. At this time the President and President-elect Hoover are here. The people of Florida seem wonderfully honored in having Mr. Hoover here. Col. Lindberg is here, and will leave Monday opening a new air mail route to the Panama Canal. Some others of less note, like Jack Dempsey, and Al. Smith are also here attending the races and recuperating after their recent inglorious defeats. Miami Beach is surely one of the most beautiful in all the South. Our Baptist cause seems to be flourishing in Miami.

This is being written aboard the S. S. Northland Steamer enroute to Cuba. Mrs. McComb and the writer expect to spend at least a week on the Island, visiting our Home Board Mission Stations and incidentally seeing the country. Dr. M. H. McCall, Supt. of the Home Board Mission work in Cuba, has kindly volunteered to be our guide while we are in Cuba. We took Steamer at Key West, a town of 30,000, our most Southern U. S. Port. It is 90 miles across to Havana. The Gulf is smooth and the water is beautifully

blue and so clear. But this writer is already too long. On our return voyage I will write of impressions of Cuba.

Love and good wishes to all the saints who read The Baptist Record.
(Feb. 2, 1929.)

BIBLE CONFERENCE

It was my privilege to spend last week at the preacher's conference under the leadership of the pastor of the Baptist Church at Tupelo, Dr. H. R. Holcomb. There were nearly fifty preachers present and there is absolutely no way to tell what a meeting like that will mean to workers in the future. Drs. Laws and Holcomb were at their best and surely they are in the Kingdom for such a time at this. Have never spent a week more profitably in my life. I understand that this conference is going to be an annual affair in the First Baptist Church of Tupelo. I certainly hope it will be. May our Heavenly Father give to the Baptist hosts during the year 1929 the greatest victories we have ever seen.

The Grenada people are looking forward to our annual revival which this year will be conducted by Dr. Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Meridian, and Joe Canzoneri, the gospel singing bird. The date of our revival is April 7-21. Would be glad to have any of our brothers who can plan to be with us. We will take care of you.

Yours for victory,

—W. E. Farr

Grenada, Miss.,

Feb. 6, 1929.

THE SETTLEMENT OF THE CARNES CASE

L. R. Christie, President,
The Home Mission Board

The Associated Press has already carried to the public the story of the disposition of the criminal case against C. S. Carnes, former Treasurer of the Home Mission Board. It seems proper that, as President of the Board, I should supplement this fine news service with a statement to our own people.

The naked announcement of the sentence, as passed by the court, will not seem to our people at all in keeping with the enormity of the crime, and there will be very natural wonder that consent should have been given to so short a prison term. Even if we had unlimited time and opportunity, it is not certain that we should be able to make explanations altogether satisfactory, so I very much prefer to make a simple statement of facts and let these facts speak for themselves.

The Board placed unusual confidence in, and responsibility upon me in giving me plenary power to act for them in the criminal proceedings. I was to act in cooperation with the attorneys for the Board and the prosecuting officers of the court. This was done at the instance of our attorneys, Mr. W. W. Gaines and Judge Arthur G. Powell, because it was evident that the very nature of the circumstances required that somebody be charged with this responsibility. It was not the sort of position one would seek, because it was reasonable to expect that there might be required prompt and important decisions, which would not be universally satisfactory, no matter how made. I reminded the Board of this when they asked me to assume the responsibility, and assured them that if the charge was committed to me I would use my own best judgment and assume full responsibility for my conduct. Just as I anticipated, there came a time when I had to make a decision, and had to make it promptly. I used the very best judgment I had and as I reflect upon all the circumstances, I am now all the more convinced that my judgment in the matter was not unsound. At any rate, it is my own.

First. This has been one of the most difficult and embarrassing cases in the history of our criminal courts in Georgia. It is not possible for one

not intimately connected with the inside of the situation even to guess at the mass of complexities involved in it. We have had one of the most capable and resourceful auditing firms in America working diligently at this affair for five months and more, and they have not yet been able to set up evidence for cases covering one-half of the known shortage. So skillful was this embezzlement that it has taxed the resources of the most expert accountants and the most capable prosecuting attorneys to assemble the necessary legal evidence for cases covering only a part of the large defalcation. Indeed, there were times when we wondered if the crime which we knew had been committed could be clearly established by due process of law. We kept on working at the problem, however, with the splendid cooperation of the prosecuting attorney's office, until a number of cases had been set up in such way as to make us practically assured of a conviction. But no one detached from this situation can understand the technical difficulties encountered at every turn.

Second. The Board took steps to lay hold on all the defendant's visible assets as soon as a shortage was apparent last September, but we have been face to face with the necessity of untangling all of these commingled assets in interminable civil litigation, which, while more or less promising and profitable to the lawyers, seemed a most perilous and unhappy prospect to us.

We had holdings retained in a receivership which were supposed to be conservatively appraised at approximately \$250,000.00. To establish in a civil court just how our money got into all these different properties through a period of years seemed a veritable Chinese puzzle. Yet this had to be done somehow before we could recover these stolen goods.

Third. These criminal and civil cases would have involved us, of course, in exceedingly heavy expense. Our special attorney, Judge Arthur G. Powell, a former member of the Court of Appeals, estimated that such litigation, if contested, would cost us in the neighborhood of \$40,000.00. Virtually each of these cases, civil and criminal, requiring the assembling of witnesses from several states, as well as the continued employment of these expensive auditors and special counsel, with term after term of court proceedings. Of course, the State would have borne the bulk of the cost of one or more of the criminal cases, but we wanted a conviction on all these twenty indictments, covering something like \$300,000.00 of the total shortage of more than \$900,000.00, so as to give us standing when we went into the civil courts to establish our claim on Carnes' holdings. It is possible that we might have secured enough convictions to cover this amount, but it would have been at no small cost—not only in money, but perhaps in some other things more valuable than money—because it is plain that one or two convictions would satisfy the State and the general public; and for the Board to have forced the contest, after this, in a long series of criminal cases, would have exposed the Board and the denomination to the charge of an unreasonable vindictiveness and might have had a backfire both disconcerting and dangerous. It is my own conviction, as well as the opinion of our counsel, that such procedure would have seriously jeopardized our civil rights in an effort to recover Carnes' visible assets.

Fourth. The defense attorneys (one of the great legal firms of Atlanta) approached our attorneys and proposed a plea of guilty, accompanied by certain guarantees, and negotiations between counsel, which resulted in the settlement in court which has been announced. It will not be surprising for me to say that I deferred to the judgment of our attorneys, although I am anxious to say that, as they advised me in the situation, I very earnestly agreed with their

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Housetop and Inner Chamber

Brother H. F. Aulick, of Plainview, Texas, is Editor of The Plains Baptist.

Evangelist T. C. Crume and Singer I. C. Petree were with Pastor Harley in a good meeting at Decatur, Ill., last week.

First Church, Jackson publishes in their bulletin that total contributions for last year were \$61,901.62; of which \$10,935.40 was for benevolence and \$4,105.76 to other benevolences.

Reports from Washington City indicate that prohibition enforcement may be transferred from the Treasury Department, over which Mr. Mellon presides, to the Department of Justice.

Brother C. E. Welch of Inverness has been called to First Church of Osceola, Ark. He has not announced his decision. We do not wish the Arkansas brethren any harm, but we hope he will stay on this side of the river.

The W. M. U. of Catchings, Miss., has placed The Baptist Record in 90% of the homes of the resident membership. Mrs. Eva Boykin sent us a list this week. We thank them and hope that others will follow the good example.

It is announced that J. A. Barnhill has accepted the call to Main St. Church, Hattiesburg. He is one of our Mississippians loaned for a few years to Tennessee. He has been pastor of Calvary Church, Memphis, to which he went from Sumner. We are all glad to have him back.

It is said that C. S. Carnes finally pleaded guilty to one of the indictments against him for taking money from the Home Board and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. The prosecuting attorney announced that the other charges against him would not be pressed if he serves out his full sentence.

March 2 is Missionary Day at the Louisville Seminary. Dr. I. J. Van Ness will speak on "The Sunday School as a Mission Force". Rev. F. F. Soren of Rio, Brazil will speak on "The Progress of the Protestant Movement in Brazil". Then follows "Church Administration Conference" formerly announced in the Record.

We recently closed a good meeting with Rev. J. W. Bayles at Howard, Kans. There were fourteen additions to the church, all of them for baptism. This is the second meeting we have had with Brother Bayles. The other meeting was while he was pastor in Wichita, Kans. He is a lovable man and most congenial to work with. His good wife is a great helper in the meetings. —Evangelist and Mrs. J. W. Hickerson.

Faith Lambert, by Maud C. Jackson, published by the Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tennessee, is an interesting and wholesome story of the modern college campus. Jed Carlton, the gridiron hero and religious scoffer is strongly attracted by Faith Lambert, a talented musician and lovely Christian young woman. A beautiful love study follows in which all that is fine and true in Faith brings out the best in Jed. It is very entertaining reading and should especially interest our modern students.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 1.—"The American people are in position to do the world a great service if they can find a means by which diverse races may live side by side in mutual justice, good will and helpfulness," according to Bishop Francis J. McConnell, of New York, president of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, who is delivering a series of addresses here on "The Wider Significance of the African

Problem". "The race problem," he said, "is not sectional nor even national only, but world wide. America, however, and particularly the South, occupy a position of strategic and peculiar importance in relation to it, so that our leadership in this field is certain to influence the world vastly for good or ill.

"Certain unfavorable aspects of American race relations," said Bishop McConnell, "are already discrediting Christianity in mission lands, as when in Mexico I saw a list of American lynchings printed and paraded in the effort of General Huerta to stir that country to war against us, and again in China saw the same list widely broadcast as a reason why China should reject our civilization and our religion. I am not at all afraid of the uprising of the tinted races that some have predicted but I am afraid that unless we speedily build a bridge of justice and cooperation the chasm of misunderstanding and distrust may become so deep as to be impassable, thus shutting off each group from the contribution it ought to receive from the other."

The editors of the Southern Baptist Convention, especially of the State papers, enjoy an outing together and are greatly helped by conference on matters pertaining to their work. For two days last week they spoke their minds freely, much more freely than they do in the columns of their papers. They particularly believe in the freedom of the editors, when they are behind closed doors. It was hard to keep the doors closed this time. The Mobile reporters found their way into the meetings several times, and displayed the little they learned in large headlines the next day, or that afternoon in their papers. And then we had a good address from Dr. Dillard who told us how the Baptist paper situation looked from a pastor's perch. We like, sometimes, to see ourselves as others see us. Then we had a talk from an excellent gentleman who was sure we should be interested in farm relief. And from Dr. O. L. Hailey, who told us something about the Negro Seminary in Nashville; and from brother Geo. J. Burnett of the Brotherhood who believes in the value of the denominational paper. But we did most of the talking ourselves, about ourselves and about the rest of you. Dr. Masters spoke on Editorial Independence, helpfully; Dr. Freeman likewise on Distribution of Cooperative funds; Dr. Tinnin on Special Editions; Dr. Gwaltney on Making the Association Function. Yes, we talked about the Home Board, and Syndicated articles, about advertising and circulation. We were sorry to miss several of our editorial fraternity from the meeting. And what they missed! Brother Frost of The Western Recorder, Business Manager, had to return immediately before the meeting opened on account of a slight attack of appendicitis.

On another page will be found the statement of Dr. L. R. Christie, President of the Home Mission Board, as to the issue of the trial of C. S. Carnes, defaulting treasurer of the Home Board. It will be read with interest by all our Baptist people who are deeply concerned about the present condition and future plans of the Board. Dr. Christie anticipates that his statement will not satisfy everybody. But so far as we can see it is the best settlement of the bad mess that was practicable. The Home Board trusted this matter largely to Dr. Christie and the attorneys. They were there next to the facts, knew more about them than the rest of us could know and what would be the best settlement they could get. Certainly we have to consider that Dr. Christie and some others are giving a great deal of time and earnest thought to this matter, and

are getting no compensation for their services. If the litigation should continue over an indefinite period these men are giving time to it which they are under obligation to give to other matters. There can be no doubt that the long continuance of the suit, prosecuting Carnes on 20 or more indictments, is an exceedingly expensive business, and money is scarce and mighty hard to get. Somebody has to pay for it. It was the evident desire of the Board to salvage what they could out of the Carnes estate. This could probably be done by accepting a plea of guilty on one indictment and securing a penitentiary sentence of five years. This is a light sentence to be sure, and a disappointing outcome, but probably better than prosecuting him through twenty indictments, paying large lawyers' fees, taking chances on conviction, spending money on witnesses and causing Carnes to hinder them in every possible way.

FROM BIRMINGHAM

Dr. James Randolph Hobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church here is celebrating his tenth anniversary as pastor on Sunday February 3rd.

Under his ministry the church has had a net increase in membership of 2,140, while the Sunday School has had a net increase in enrollment of over 1,500. He has baptized 959 members. The church has built a new, seven story Education Building, fire-proof and costing about \$285,000, three floors of which are occupied by the Sunday School, and is a veritable beehive of church industry.

Our Birmingham Baptist Association, now numbering 100 churches and 35,851 members had the good fortune recently of employing Dr. Louis Entzminger as Promotional Evangelist, who is now on the field and at work, reorganizing our churches around their Sunday Schools, which is putting new life into the churches.

Alabama takes off her hat at the gateway into Mississippi, and, lifting her eyes toward the eternal throne, profoundly thanks Him who sits thereon for your noble contribution to the ranks of her noblest and best.

—M. M. Wood

RESOLUTION PASSED BY BAPTIST STATE SECRETARIES' ASSOCIATION IN ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN MOBILE, ALABAMA, JANUARY 21st-23rd, 1929

In view of the experience over a period of years of the various states of the Southern Baptist Convention with respect to the effect of special collections upon the Cooperative Program, and in view of action taken by many states against all specials,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

First, That we, the State Secretaries of our respective states, in annual meeting assembled, hereby express our profound conviction that the Cooperative Program is the best method yet devised for promoting all the kingdom interests fostered by Southern Baptists, and,

Secondly, That we believe all special campaigns and collections should be discouraged, since, in our judgment, they do not increase the total receipts and are detrimental to the progress of the Cooperative Program and hence to the building up of a dependable income for our work, and,

Third, That we earnestly call upon all our people, pastors, deacons, teachers in Sunday Schools, leaders in our W. M. U., and the heads of all our Boards and institutions to give their loyal support and active aid to making the Cooperative Program a success.

Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence writes that an important correction should be made in the booklet, "The Future of Home Missions", page 5, paragraph 4. The figures there given should be 93 instead of 171. Those who have the book will please make the correction. The booklet costs 25c, and is for use in the March week of prayer.

Editorials

ABOUT THE PRAYER-MEETING

Some people will pass up this article unread, as soon as they see the title. Why? Because some people are not interested in the prayer-meeting, and nothing that could be said about it would be apt to attract their attention. How about you?

Most people are not interested in the prayer-meeting. How do we know this? Because they do not go to it. If they were deeply interested they would go. But they don't go; therefore they must not be interested in it.

Why are they not interested in it? Because it is so often about the dearest thing in a church. Is there any other meeting intended for all the membership which is so poorly attended? We know of none. Is it dead at your church? What is the matter? What killed it? To be perfectly frank (Say we are mistaken if you wish), it is dead because nobody, or very few people, really believes that prayer is of any particular importance or consequence.

That sounds "awful". Worse than that it is "awful". But we had just as well face the facts. We will never improve this situation till we are willing to tell the truth about it. There are few churches, very few, that have any prayer-meeting. They have a "midweek meeting"; we have got kinder shy about even calling it a prayer-meeting. This shyness may be a good sign that conscience is not quite dead, though the prayer-meeting may be. Or do we hesitate to call it a "prayer-meeting" because we are afraid if we call it by that name the people won't come to it, and so we seek a more pleasing term or one that doesn't have any meaning in particular?

Why should you call it a prayer-meeting when in many cases, if not most, there is no more praying there than there is in your Sunday services, or any other church meeting? No; most of our churches do not have a prayer-meeting at all. They have a reduced copy of the Sunday services with about the same routine. Or they have a "Bible study"; or a picture show; or a playlet; or some other substitute.

Let's make up our minds whether we want a prayer-meeting or not. If it is to be a prayer-meeting, it will be because we believe that God hears and answers prayer; that prayer changes things; that concerted prayer on the part of God's people brings power into our testimony, brings the lost under conviction for sin, raises the sick from their beds of affliction, comforts broken hearts, leads the wandering to repentance, brings a dead church to life, transfigures a lusterless life into a glorious testimony of grace. But we are in danger of losing faith in the promises of God to hear prayer.

Now we try to get people to come out to the "midweek service", by assuring them that we will be there only forty minutes; and we ask Brother Jones to "lead us in a word of prayer", with the plain intimation that he will please make it "short and snappy".

MORE ABOUT THE PRAYERMEETING

Now that this has been said about the prayer-meeting, something more ought to be said, for there is no good in finding fault unless you can find some way out. It would be a good thing for other brethren who have something to say on this question to say it in the Record, particularly those who have been blessed with a good prayer-meeting. We venture a few suggestions that come from mature consideration of the matter and they may be taken for what they are worth.

First of all there needs to be earnest preparation made for the prayermeeting, no less than for a Sunday service. This does not mean the

same sort of preparation, for if there is one thing more certain than another it is that it needs to be a different kind of meeting in many ways from what we have on Sunday. The sort of preparation that would seem to be needed is earnest prayer beforehand. That is the best way to usher in a prayermeeting. It would be well if everybody prayed more before going, but the one who leads must certainly be saturated in prayer before he undertakes it. There is an undefinable but unmistakable atmosphere about one who has spent a good deal of time in the presence of God. The skin of his face may not shine, but the glow of his spirit it is impossible to hide with a veil. You can tell when someone has come from a season of communion with God. It will take away all that strained effort at effect; and it will eradicate all the flippancy and manufactured "pep". It will turn the dullness into a spiritual glow.

And speaking of preparation, it will be mighty well if the pastor or leader will ask the cooperation of others in preparing for it, by announcements, earnest appeals and indicating beforehand something specifically about the nature of the prayermeeting next Wednesday night. Don't say, "Prayermeeting as usual next Wednesday night". In most cases that is exactly what you don't want, "as usual." Seek in every way possible to get the cooperation of the people.

And that leads naturally to the next thing: Get their cooperation after you get to prayer-meeting. Put most of the responsibility for the meeting on others. They won't think it is a very good meeting unless they have had some part in it; and they are exactly right; it will not be. People only get out of it in proportion to what they put into it. They may make lots of blunders, may not say much that is worth while, but they had better get it out of their systems. It will spoil on the inside. It is impossible for the prayermeeting to do the people much good if they do not have some part in it personally, purposely and consciously. Do anything that is necessary to draw them out. Our Sunday "services" were poured into a certain mold ever so long ago, and some people think the judgment day would break if we departed from it an iota. Something needs to break. Let's get away from the dead sameness. Bring along a good supply of tetanus serum to the prayer-meeting and let's see if we can't cure the lock-jaw. The dumb demons need to be cast out of a whole lot of folks.

We are not for transforming it into a talking meeting. But to break up the talking into smaller fragments. This talking business is liable to abuse, but it could not be much worse than the conspiracy of silence with which many meetings are afflicted. One thing that has made the Sunday School about the most popular department of the church service is that the folks get a chance to open their mouths when they want to. But our primary purpose is not to make the prayer-meeting popular; it is to make it helpful. And it won't be very helpful unless the religious emotions find some way of expression. If at first you don't succeed in getting people to take part in the prayermeeting, then try again next time and get some way of prizing them off the bench.

Again give some time to thinking how to make the next prayermeeting a little different from the last. One reason a prayermeeting dies is that every one is just like the one that went before, only a little samer and a little tamer. To be sure, it must maintain its nature and object as a meeting for prayer, but people will pray better if their minds are ventilated with a new idea occasionally. The praying will be more intelligent, sincere and earnest if the soul is awakened by some seed truth from the Word or by a testimony from someone.

Suppose you announce that at the next prayer-meeting everybody will be given a chance to say what he believes is most needed in your church, and then pray for these things right then

and there as they are presented. Would you be afraid to risk it? Don't you think that is the best way to get it? How else can you find out? How else can you get it?

You can think of a hundred things, perhaps, which might keep your people from getting sleepy at prayermeeting. Suppose you announce next Sunday that everybody as far as possible will be asked to say at prayermeeting, why he believes he is a Christian. Or why he is a Baptist; or if he is something else than a Baptist, give him a chance, and treat him fraternally, of course. Or suppose everybody is given a chance to say why he believes in Missions, or contributes to missions. Or he may tell what passage of scripture has done him the most good. You can think of other and possibly better things. Once in a while a part of the prayermeeting hour could be well spent in having people to ask questions. They can write them down and hand them in or they can present them in person. You will not be able to answer all of them, and even calling on others to help will not answer them all. But you have started somebody to thinking.

A series of special services will be held in the Flora Baptist Church beginning on the third Sunday Morning Feb. 17, at 11 o'clock. Rev. S. G. Posey, Coliseum Place Baptist Church New Orleans, La. will do the preaching, Rev. Joe Cannoneri, Jackson, Mississippi will be in charge of the music.

YET MORE

And now some very practical suggestions about the prayermeeting. Let the praying be very definite. Pray for specific objects. It is surprising how little of real definite desire is expressed in prayer. Most people, if approached after praying in public and asked what that was they were asking for in the prayer, would be struck with a fit of stammering. They don't know two minutes afterward. Maybe there was nothing in particular for which they made request, but simply a "Lord bless us".

The leader should see to it that special objects are presented. People should be encouraged to present special objects, but the leader should always have them on his mind when he goes to the meeting. They may be individual, about people in special need, such as sickness, bereavement, financial losses, family troubles, wayward people, burden bearers, officials, etc. They may be local, affecting your own church or community. They may be matters civic, or affecting the state or nation. Or they may be the various departments of our denominational work. Better take one of them at a time. That is about as much as the average person can take in. Pray for foreign missions, or for one field, or for one missionary, and don't try to cover too much territory at one time. Have half a dozen prayers if you wish, one after the other, but don't let any one pray for everything. He can't cover all. Get all the minds on one thing, and keep them there till that is properly put before the Lord.

Then at least at some meeting, or at one time in several of them, call for testimonies as to answered prayer, not something they have read out of a book, but something in personal experience, recent experience preferably and still more preferably, something that came in answer to prayer offered together there, publicly in the prayermeeting. It is well to check up on your praying, to see if you are getting anywhere. God invites us to test him. He is not afraid. Let your religion come out in the open. Are you able to say, "This poor man cried and the Lord heard", and don't fail to be specific about it. It will help your own faith and that of others.

But not all prayer is asking for something; and certainly it ought not to be. There are other things included in prayer besides supplication. Conversation in the home and at the table is not confined to asking favors, a mere request to

pass the biscuits. Pleasant things can be said that will help us to digest the biscuits. We can talk to God without making requests for favors. There ought to be some prayers in which no petition is presented. It is good manners if nothing more. How much we have to be grateful for. Then talk to God about that. Praying at all times with all prayer. How excellent is God in all his attributes. It is well to dwell on these when we come to him. Our prayermeetings should be worshipful, the lifting up of the soul, contemplating him, adoring him, trying to make some response in words to the revelation that he is giving us of himself. It will help to read the Psalms and Revelation in the prayermeeting, and try to follow as they lead us in worship.

One other thing: praying in public will almost inevitably reveal how much or how little you are in the habit of praying in private. And the best way to help a prayermeeting is to do a great deal of praying in secret. Do we not all have here to confess our sin of neglect, and our serious weakness? Without any disposition to be critical, with a deep aversion to anything that sounds like criticism of public prayer, yet how painfully evident is the fact that some people betray in public prayer that the road to the throne of grace is not familiar to them. How flat is much of our praying. Vain repetitions may be found in short prayers as well as in long ones. They are the empty words that we have heard others use in prayer, have ourselves gotten into the habit of using. The soul is absent. The desire is lacking. We stumble to the conclusion. When we pray, let us realize that we are face to face with God, with the Holy One, the Eternal and Almighty God, who has created all. This will keep the prayermeeting from being dead.

HEARTS OF FATHERS TO CHILDREN

A few Sunday nights ago as people were going home from the evening church service, there was heard a great clattering of roller skates and chattering of young people's voices along the concrete highway which passed close to the church. It grated painfully on the ears of those who had just come from the house of worship, and did not make a noise like Sunday. Under the electric lights which shone on the highway it was not difficult to see who these youngsters were. Some were plainly surprised to find in the group the children of at least two preachers.

This is not a dissertation on proper Sunday observance. And these young people were not worse than most others; and their parents are among the best people in the land. But—! Some of those supposed to be responsible for these youngsters were among the worshippers at church. Did they know where their children were? or what they were doing?

And this is not for the purpose of administering in this public way rebuke to parents or children. But—! Well, it is to call attention to a religious condition or an irreligious condition and God's way of correcting it. And that takes the mind back to that announcement of the angel to Zacharias when he predicted to him the birth of John the Baptist, who was to prepare the way for the coming and work of Jesus. Many good things he said about John and then he tells what John is going to do. The first thing he says John is to do is "to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children".

Here is where religion is going to start. And here is where the evidences of revival are going to break out. A bad humor in the blood is apt to break out where the skin is the thinnest and resistance to eruption is least. And a revival of religion is apt to show up first in religious concern of fathers and mothers for their own children. True religion was from the first family religion. God said of Abraham, "I have known him to the end that he may command his children and his household after him; and they shall keep the way of the Lord to do justice and judgment".

Convention Board Department

R. B. Gunter, Corresponding Secretary

There was an error in the Baptist Record of January 10th in the financial statement. The designated gifts for 1928 should have been \$151,733.49.

Contributions Which Were Not Sent To The Baptist State Convention Board Office During 1928

In order to have a better knowledge of contributions made by our people during the year 1928, we have written various agencies and institutions for amounts contributed directly. The result of this investigation shows that \$99,408.20 was contributed last year aside from the \$367,000.00 received by the State Board office, making a total of \$466,408.20.

This would indicate that our people are able to give far more than the budget set by the Convention for this year, which budget is \$360,000.

If our people could see the importance of contributing these amounts this year through the cooperative program, we would then be able to go to our State Convention at the close of the year with all obligations having been met and no cause suffering. We earnestly appeal to pastors in all churches to lead the people in bringing their contributions up with last year's figures and to let every gift go into the cooperative program.

All the time some of the agencies which participate in the cooperative funds are making their appeals for special offerings. It is also true that in some cases the emergencies with these agencies are due to a lack of good business management. For instance, some of them plunge into debt largely on their own initiative without the sanction of our Convention and then appeal to our people to help pull them out of the hole. We should not encourage our agencies and institutions in going recklessly into debt without the authority of the denomination by coming to their rescue with designated offerings at the expense of other participating interests. If the denomination is expected to pay obligations, it should have a voice in the making of them.

Danger Of Premature Judgment

There is danger at this time that some people will form their opinions with reference to the recent action of the Home Board authorities without having all the facts in hand. The writer recently wrote the Home Board as soon as report of Carnes' sentence came out, asking for all facts in connection with their decision. We have received a clear cut statement. There will also appear in the Baptist Record of this week a statement from the President of the Home Mission Board. For the sake of the Cause and for the sake of brethren who are giving their time to this work without cost to the denomination, we should be very cautious.

There are secular papers which seem to delight in saying anything which will be destructive to the work of the denomination. In fact, it

We are hearing a great deal today about the need of a revival; and many are praying for its coming. Here is where the one who started the first great Christian revival started. It was his task to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children. Natural affection in the home forms the first channel for spiritual instruction and influence. If we are not concerned about those of our own household, we will not be much disturbed about others. The responsibility of fathers and mothers for the salvation and spiritual nurture of their own children precedes all other Christian duty. Let the revival start here.

seems that they would rather convey false than true statements. For this reason, our people will do well to go to the proper source for information. The Home Board authorities are ready to give out all the facts. We all admit that the Carnes embezzlement is one of the greatest tragedies which ever came to our denomination. But we do not propose to gratify the devil and his cohorts by withdrawing from the work or by failure to meet any financial obligation, whether just or unjust.

The Honor Day receipts have reached \$380,000.00. Carnes' property, which has been turned over to the Home Mission Board, is valued at \$250,000.00. This taken from \$909,000.00 leaves in round numbers \$279,000.00. It is our judgment that this balance should be made up by free will offerings. Then no Baptist can ever say that his contributions were used for the settlement of debts incurred by Carnes. We would be willing to give as much more as we have already given on this indebtedness in order to get it behind us.

Audits For Our Work

We strove hard this year for audits of all our agencies and institutions in Mississippi. We succeeded in obtaining them from all except the Baptist Hospital. The Superintendent sent an audit which he thought was complete, but it was for the first half of the calendar year 1928. He then asked his auditor to bring it up to the Convention, but when that statement came in it was two months short. We have promise of a complete audit from the Hospital which, when received, will be published in the Baptist Record. It is our purpose to give to our people detailed information with reference to all of our activities.

Can Our Work Be Supported By The Cooperative Program?

We answer the above question by saying it cannot under existing conditions. It is not being supported by the cooperative program. It could be if all contributions were made to our program. We have just about reached the point where we cannot longer rely upon the cooperative program. We have made obligations which must be met. The funds contributed through the program are not meeting them.

Two things are resulting from our dependence upon this cooperative program. The first is that many are shirking themselves behind it and are failing to do their duty in the way of contributing to the Kingdom work. The other is that various institutions continue to make their appeals for special donations. This means that such institutions are enabled to carry on their work while the majority suffer at the expense of such appeals.

We are going to be forced before the close of this year to make appeals for interests which have not hitherto done so in order to meet the obligations. One of these is our educational Commission; neither can we carry out the program of our State Convention Board for our State Mission work with the funds which are coming in for the cooperative program.

It is well as far as it goes to have self denial week, or self denial month; but the Christian life is self denial for twelve months in every year. "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me".

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judgment as to the wisest disposition of the matter. Indeed, I have not the slightest hesitancy in saying that I felt immensely relieved at the overture from the defendant's counsel. I had hoped and prayed that the accused might eventually enter a plea and spare the Baptists the necessity of having to be hawked about the streets, through another painful period of noise and notoriety and nastiness. As soon as the defense approached us it was plain that the only question to be settled was the matter of the prison term. They very readily indicated their willingness to have their client make full restitution, insofar as it was possible, by turning over to us, without litigation or cost, any and all assets which had yet been discovered, or which might in the future be discovered. The defendant also agreed to cooperate with the auditors in straightening out some hopeless tangles which were believed to be immensely to the Board's interests.

Fifth. Now, as to the five-year sentence imposed by the court. Let it be remembered that two to seven years is the penalty for embezzlement under the Georgia laws, with certain reductions for good behavior. It is true, of course, that there were some twenty indictments against Carnes, on each of which it may be conceivable that he might have been tried separately, provided the Board had been willing and able to assemble the witnesses for each of the contests. But, as has already been indicated, that course would not be without its difficulties and its dangers. What was finally agreed on was to permit the defendant to enter a plea of guilty in one of these twenty cases, and a memorandum was attached by the Solicitor General holding the other nineteen indictments in abeyance and providing that if any application for parole or pardon were made, or any other effort to reduce the minimum five-year prison term, then action may be taken immediately on the remaining nineteen indictments. In other words, these other cases remain active until the accused shall have served a minimum of five years in the State penitentiary. Carnes is now well past fifty, and five years is no inconsiderable part of the expectancy which may be reasonably allotted to him. It will be readily conceded that twice as long a sentence, or even more, would not have been excessive for such an offense, but there were a variety of interests involved and we were earnestly trying to serve the whole situation as well and as wisely as we know, under all sorts of difficulties.

Sixth. I may say, also—and this is a purely personal item—I felt something of the opportunity and the obligation to show something of the spirit of Christ in this case, by consenting to temper justice somewhat with mercy. I do not believe that sense should be sacrificed to sentiment, nor that justice should give place to sheer weakness, but I do very earnestly hope that our side of this case has been so conducted as to commend us even "to those without," and even to impress the prisoner that we Christians do something "more than others"; and I, for one, shall not cease to pray that even inside the iron gates this prisoner may find the freedom that can transform a prison into a palace.

ROBERT E. LEE'S DEVOTION TO DUTY By H. H. Smith

At the breaking out of the War Between the States Robert E. Lee had spent thirty-three years of honorable service in the army of the United States. Moreover, he was tendered the command of the armies of the Union in the conflict soon to begin. This brought him face to face with the greatest struggle of his life—that of deciding the momentous question as to the side he should choose in the great conflict. That duty as he saw it, and duty alone determined his choice, no one who is acquainted with history can doubt. Randolph H. McKim, one of Lee's soldiers, and

author of that interesting volume, "The Soul of Lee", says, in regard to this great decision:

"Never, in any of his great battles—Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, Petersburg, was his great soul so shaken as on that night in his chamber at Arlington when this momentous decision was trembling in the balance. Even now, after the lapse of fifty-six years, no generous heart can contemplate without emotion and admiration this midnight wrestling of a brave and unselfish man. One question alone presented itself to his great soul: 'What is my duty?' He put aside ambition—personal inclination—every selfish interest. Nothing weighed in the balance at that supreme moment but the purest, highest, most unselfish motives."

In a letter to his sister, whose husband and son espoused the Union cause, Lee wrote: "With all my devotion to the Union, and the feeling of loyalty and devotion of an American citizen, I have not been able to make up my mind to raise my hand against my relatives, my children, my home. I have therefore resigned my commission in the army, and serve in defense of my native State, with the sincere hope that my poor services may never be needed, I hope I may never be called upon to draw my sword. I know you will blame me; but you must think as kindly of me as you can, and believe that I have endeavored to do what I thought right."

"The All-compelling Sense of Duty"

Long, in his "Memoirs of Lee," says: "In the interviews between General Scott and Colonel Lee it is stated that the veteran commander earnestly sought to persuade the younger officer not to throw up his commission, telling him that it would be the greatest mistake of his life. But to all his pleadings Col Lee returned but one answer—that his sense of duty was stronger with him than any prospects of advancement, replying to the appeal not to send in his resignation in the words: 'I am compelled to; I cannot consult my own feelings in this matter.'"

With reference to the same matter, Thomas Nelson Page says: "All that we know is that, sacrificing place and honors and emoluments, leaving his home to the sack of the enemy already preparing to seize it, he decided in the sight of God, under the all-compelling sense of duty; and this is enough for us to know. What did the politicians clamoring for war know of the motives that inspired his high soul?"

To an old friend, Lee wrote, just after the war: "I must give you my thanks for doing me the justice to believe my conduct during the last five years has been governed by my sense of duty. I had no other guide, nor had I any other object than the defense of those principles of American liberty upon which the constitutions of the several States were originally founded, and unless they are strictly observed I fear there will be an end to Republican government in this country."

When he was criticised for not fighting in the West Virginia campaign, he explained that no substantial success could be expected, and when one of his officers urged, "But your reputation was suffering, the press was denouncing you, your own State was losing confidence in you, and the army needed a victory to add to its enthusiasm," Lee replied, with a smile, "I could not afford to sacrifice the lives of five or six hundred of my people to silence public clamor."

At the great crisis, when the question of the surrender of the army was being considered, some one said: "O, General, what will history say of the surrender of the army in the field?" He replied, "Yes, I know they will say hard things of us; but they will not understand how we were overwhelmed by numbers; but that is not the question, Colonel, the question is, is it right to surrender this army? If it is right, then I will take all the responsibility."

The consciousness of duty conscientiously performed had been the mainstay of his life, and

how appropriate that, in his last General Order, dated April 10th, he should say to the faithful men who had followed him: "You will take with you the satisfaction that proceeds from the consciousness of duty faithfully performed."

In his army satchel, in his own handwriting, were found these noble words, which had been the guide of his life: "There is a true glory and a true honor; the glory of duty done, and the honor of integrity of principle."

Ashland, Va.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF ERNST & ERNST, ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS OF THE BOOKS OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 8, 1929.

Home Mission Board
of The Southern Baptist Convention,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Gentlemen:

As Mr. C. S. Carnes has pleaded guilty to embezzling funds from the Home Mission Board, our work in connection with the investigation is completed for the present. The amount of the shortage has been fixed in the sum of \$909,461.00, divided as follows:

General Fund.....	\$683,334.14
Church Building Loan Fund.....	226,126.86
Total.....	\$909,461.00

The approximate amount of the shortage was determined during the first week of our work, but tracing the transactions to Mr. Carnes' personal account and securing evidence which would be admissible in court required a vast amount of detail checking, covering a period of about ten years. It was also necessary to obtain copies of records in banks and stock brokers' offices in New York and other cities outside of Georgia. We had no legal authority to obtain this information and had to get it as and when we could. Information covering recent transactions could be more easily obtained, but where the transactions were handled several years ago and the records had been stored away, we had to wait until the banks and brokers had time to get out the old records and look up the data for us.

A large proportion of Mr. Carnes' transactions were handled through banks outside of the State of Georgia and in many instances these transactions had not been recorded on the books of the Home Mission Board. Detailed information of the accounts handled through some of these banks was obtained only within the past two weeks. Therefore, up to this time we have not been in position to furnish a complete report.

Inasmuch as arrangements have just been completed whereby we are to make an audit and full report of the transactions of your Board covering the Convention year ending April 30, 1929, in which report will be embodied a statement relative to the defalcation of your former Treasurer, in the interest of economy we will postpone making our final report until that time. It is also possible that further unrecorded transactions will be brought to light between this time and the close of the Convention year, but it is our opinion that nothing will be found to materially change the amount of the shortage.

So far as we have been able to ascertain there is nothing to indicate that anyone other than Clinton S. Carnes was in any manner involved in the defalcation or had any knowledge of his manipulations. He had authority to borrow money in the name of the Board which he used to his own advantage. He also had charge of the accounting records of your Board, which enabled him to falsify the records to whatever extent he chose.

Your books have been adjusted, and all assets and liabilities properly entered, and it is our opinion that the affairs of the Board are now being handled with the greatest care and that every precaution is now being used to see that the

money received by the Board is being used for the purposes for which it is intended.

The five years sentence given Mr. Carnes seems inadequate compared with the offense, but all things considered the settlement made appears to have been the wisest course.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Ernst & Ernst.

Brother G. W. Nutt of Lena has been called to and is serving Corinth and Pleasant Hill Churches in Leake County.

Brother Ferrell of D'Lo has been called to the pastorate at Magee and has already begun his work. The brethren at Magee didn't have to go far to find a good man.

The total receipts of the Foreign Mission Board for the year ending Feb. 1st were \$857,083.22, as compared with \$849,299.25. But this increase was due to the Lottie Moon offering and the Thank offering, especially the former, and not to receipts from the cooperative program.

"Freezing to the coast" was the word from the weather man for Sunday's weather, handed out on Saturday afternoon as we boarded the train for Gulfport, with the wind whistling a merry tune and the thermometer already at freezing in these parts. However, we saw people wading in the water along the beach as we drove Sunday afternoon from Gulfport for thirty miles down the coast. They were defying the weather man. Brother J. L. Taylor drove us down to see the new church building at Pass Christian, which is expected to be ready for use by the end of the month. It is an accomplishment to be grateful for, and we rejoice with Pastor W. S. Allen, whom we regret not to have seen. We heard Brother Taylor also teach the Sunday School lesson to a fine group of men and women. We were glad to shake hands with a number of friends whom we learned to value highly while supplying here on former occasions, and some of them over a longer period still. Judge Russell and family were kind to the visiting preacher. He has been elected Chancellor of this district, and it goes without saying that he is a good one. Our mission to Gulfport was to supply for Dr. McComb, who is just returning from a brief visit, with his wife, to Havana. The people gave us a good hearing.

They tell us now that "synthetic eggs" are made which look like the genuine article, and in many ways answer the purpose of eggs, but there is one fatal defect in them, they won't hatch; they are utterly devoid of life. And by way of analogy it is possible perhaps to have something that looks like chicken and tastes like chicken, but it will never lay an egg. And further by way of analogy we have in our churches a good deal of the synthetic or man-made religion, and the man-made church member. But it is lacking the essential element of life. We have people who have been taught at home, perhaps born into a Christian home, then trained and taught in Sunday School and brought up in the B. Y. P. U.; and they go through all the outward performances of religious service. They can put on a "program" or a "playlet" and go through the motion and forms of religion; but lack the one essential thing in religion, which is life. They have never been born again. There is no more needed teaching, no more needed conviction in our churches today than "Ye must be born again". The emphasis has been put upon teaching and training till we can run a church now like we do our farms and factories, by machinery. We have plenty of machine-made church members. What we need today is to pray for and wait for the work of the Holy Spirit of God who can bring the dead to life.

Stewardship Department

By G. C. Hodge, Director of Stewardship and Budget

"Every member of every church contributing every week to every cause, in proportion to his ability"

How To Lead People To Pay What They Promised or How To Follow Up The Every Member Canvass (Continued from last week)

Many churches have found some things to be essential in leading people to pay what they promised. We will mention five of them.

1. A personal interest in them.

My own experience and the experiences of others have convinced me that nothing is as effective in leading men to pay what they promised as personal interest. In my own experience I observed that when I kept in personal touch in my members and showed a personal interest in them they responded in an encouraging way; but when for any reason I failed to keep in direct touch with them personally they became more or less indifferent and careless, especially in the matter of finances.

We have machines today in our homes, offices and shops. These machines do practically everything for us except pay our bills. Machines are not designed to pay bills, but to do work and to enable us to do work. When it comes to paying bills, it has to be done in the same old-fashioned, personal way. The individual who is willing to work will find that by the use of modern machinery he can do more and better work and thus be better able to meet his financial obligations, but the individual who refuses to work will sooner or later find himself financially embarrassed regardless of modern machinery. In fact, the more machinery he has the greater will be his embarrassment unless he works.

We have much fine machinery today in our church and denominational life. This denominational machinery does things for us, but it does not pay our denominational bills. It is as impossible for denominational machinery to pay bills as it is for mechanical machinery to pay bills, but many of our finest men do not seem to realize it. For instance, many of them work like Trojans to install in their churches one of our denominational machines, known as the Unified Budget. As soon as they get it installed they step back, go their way and expect it to pay the bills. When they find that it does not pay their bills, they become impatient with it, criticize it and look about with the hope of finding some other machine, or plan that will pay their bills. They need to realize that some laws are fixed and unchangeable, and one of them is that machinery does not pay bills.

If we as individual pastors and laymen are willing to work for our Master, we can do more and better work by means of our modern denominational machinery and organization. As a result of our more efficient work, we will enlist more people and thus be in better position to pay our denominational bills, but if we do not work personally we will sooner or later find ourselves financially embarrassed in spite of our machinery, and the more machinery we have the greater will be our embarrassment—unless we work. Nothing is as effective in leading people to pay what they promised as the personal interest of the pastor in his own people.

2. The church treasurer's report.

The church treasurer is one of the most important officers in the church. The very fact that he is entrusted with all the money given through the church shows that he is one of the most trusted members, and the result of his methods of handling the church's money shows that he is one of the most important members.

Whether or not the people will pay what they promised depends in a large measure upon the methods employed by the church treasurer. The

church treasurer cannot make the people pay what they promised, but he can perhaps do more than any other member in leading them to pay what they promised.

One of the finest things a church treasurer can do is to make reports to the church and thus keep the people informed concerning the finances of the church. If he does not inform them, they will be ignorant about the finances of the church, and ignorance nearly always breeds doubt and suspicion. When people become doubtful or suspicious about the finances of a church they do not pay so liberally or cheerfully.

A certain church had as treasurer one of the most consecrated men I ever knew, but he apparently never thought of the importance of making a treasurer's report to the church. He was honest and took it for granted that everybody knew it, and, therefore, did not dream of ever being questioned. He was more prosperous than some of the other members of the church and occasionally made improvements about his home and place of business. One day two of the members passed his house and one said to the other, "I wonder what goes with all the money we give to the church". That put the other fellow to thinking, and when he got home he whispered to his wife and said, "Do you know I believe that our church treasurer is taking our church money and is using it to beautify his own home". That put her to thinking, and that afternoon she went over to a neighbor's house, and after getting her to promise "not to tell anyone else" she broke the news. She did not dare speak aloud for fear someone else might hear, so she whispered and said, "We have caught him at last. The church treasurer has been stealing the church money and using it for himself, etc., etc." The news was too thrilling to keep, and so the promise "not to tell" was broken and the news was whispered from ear to ear until a goodly number of the church members heard it, and many of them when they heard it said, "One thing is certain, he is not going to get any more of my money, for I am not going to give any more".

Many of the people quit giving, and as time passed the pastor and deacons noticed that many pledges were unpaid. The pastor urged his people to pay up, but many of them did not respond to his appeal. In a meeting of some of the leading men of the church the question as to why the people were not paying was discussed. Some said it was because of the Cooperative Program. Others said the fault was with the budget plan of financing the Kingdom. Others said this or that, but the real reason was because they had doubts and suspicions about the honesty of the treasurer. There was no ground for their suspicion, but the result was the same as if the treasurer had misappropriated the funds. Had he made reports to the church and kept the people properly informed they would not have suspected him. Every church treasurer should for his own sake, for the sake of others, and for the sake of the Kingdom make reports to the church in conference. (To be continued)

Dr. J. R. Carter of Magnolia will give fourth time to Gum Grove Church in Lincoln County.

Rev. W. R. Seymour has resigned the superintendency of the Alabama Baptist Hospital at Selma; will take up evangelistic work.

All are familiar with the maxim of boys, "Do it and then talk about it". The Christian way is better, "Do it, and forget about it".

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Let us bear in mind from this time on that our State W. M. U. Meeting convenes in Greenwood, April 2-4. The Greenwood sisters, and indeed the membership generally of the churches, is making preparations to entertain us. They as well as all the rest of us desire a great spiritual feast at this time. Let us pray as we plan for this Meeting. Let as many of us as possible begin early to make our preparations to attend. Read on this Page a communication from the Publicity Committee, sent us by the Chairman, Mrs. Fred Little.

A letter from State President P. T. A. Mrs. Yarbrough, brings the information that that Meeting will be held in Vicksburg, April 9-11. Our State W. M. U. greatly appreciates the fact that this sister Organization, after making plans to convene at the same time we had planned for, changed their time as above stated. We trust that many of us who attended the W. M. U. Convention will also attend this Meeting. The splendid work of the P. T. A. and Congress of Mothers can never be estimated in this State. Certainly every Christian Mother and Sister should give hearty co-operation to the Organization.

Providence permitting, we are to have Dr. Ayers, Miss Mallory, Miss Minnie Landrum and others whose names will be given later, with us at our State Meeting in Greenwood. Encourage members of your W. M. U. Organization to hear them. Let every Society begin now to make arrangements to send the wife of the pastor and at least one of the local officers.

One of our real live pastors stopped at our office door the other morning, and after passing the time of day, said, "It is my purpose to load my car with members of my church and drive to Greenwood. I want to sit in on that Convention".

Brother Pastors all over the State, cannot you do likewise? We shall be so glad to have you. You will get great messages from others beside Dr. Ayers. "Come with us and we will do thee good."

An Important Message From Miss Mallory

Please "publish far and near"; the \$100,000 goal for the March Week of Prayer and that the entire offering is intended for the missionary work of the Home Board; wide publicity should at once be given to the desire that every Ruby Anniversary organization be urged to organize another; many will be glad to know the dates for the W. M. U. annual meeting—beginning 9:30 on Tuesday morning, May 7, and closing Wednesday night.

Baptist Union To Hold Session In Greenwood Executive Committee of Local W. M. U. Makes Plans For Convention

The State Convention of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Church will meet in Greenwood April 2nd, 3rd and 4th and in preparation for its coming Mrs. T. R. Henderson entertained the Executive committee of the local W. M. U. and the chairmen of the various committees appointed at a meeting of the Executive Board, to make

arrangements for the convention at a spend-the-day party in her home on yesterday.

The convention was discussed at length, committees were named and plans made for the entertainment of the many visitors who will be in Greenwood during the three days.

After assembling in Mrs. Henderson's hospitable home the meeting was opened with a Bible reading, Proverbs 31st, which was followed by prayer led by Mrs. W. B. Dickens.

The morning hours were then spent in a round table discussion as to the needs of the W. M. U. for improvement over the past year's work.

At the noon hour the party repaired to the sun parlor where three tables were arranged for the serving of an elegant three course menu.

The following ladies were Mrs. Henderson's guests for the day: Mesdames O. W. Swearingen, Edgar Giles, Charles Bolen, W. B. Dickens, E. B. Bell, W. H. Harper, Wilton Weaver, Silas Quinn, C. R. Prosser, W. E. Blanks, W. S. Freed, G. C. Whittington, C. A. Hall, D. C. Bell, L. P. Quinn, W. G. Stuart, Tom Smart, L. F. Fergusson, Charles Costigan, T. M. Curry, J. E. Mann, H. B. Haley, C. E. Couty and Miss Anna Kent.

After dinner, work of the convention was taken up and the following committees were named:

Committee on Credentials—Mrs. Charles Whittington, chm., Mesdames Charles Costigan, D. C. Bell, Edgar Giles, H. B. Haley.

Committee on Homes—Mrs. J. E. Mann, chm., mesdames Zilpha Garrard, L. L. Caine, J. C. Hayes, A. M. Holly, E. B. Bell, Fred Pybass, Jack Wells, C. T. Womack and J. C. Sisson.

Committee on Cars—Mrs. W. H. Harper, chm., mesdames Charles Bolen, Henry Kennedy, C. P. Coogle, R. J. Petty and J. B. Webb.

Hall committee—Mrs. R. C. King, chm., Mrs. S. G. Wilson.

Lunch Committee—Mrs. T. M. Curry, chm., mesdames A. Q. Quinn, E. E. Vaughn, W. P. Lewis, L. S. Rogers, J. D. Roe, Fred Little.

Finance Committee—Mrs. W. M. Whittington, assisted by the church finance committee.

Pages and Ushers—Mrs. C. A. Hall.

Publicity—Mrs. Fred Little, Mrs. Annie Hughes Dixon.

Decorations—Mrs. C. E. Couty, chm., Mesdames R. D. Portwood, W. S. Freed, Jesse Quinn, John Young, L. Pigott.

Hostess Committee—Mrs. L. P. Quinn, chm., Mesdames Tom Smart, Wilton Weaver, John T. Wells, O. W. Swearingen, W. P. Lewis, W. B. Dickens.

Music—Mrs. C. R. Prosser, assisted by the choir.

Program Committee—Mrs. T. R. Henderson, chm., Mesdames J. W. Quinn, C. C. Whittington, W. E. Blanks, L. F. Fergusson, Silas Quinn, Miss Anna Kent.

A Rally Day Message

Delivered at Deer Creek Associational Rally
 Columbus dreamed, and—America, of all the lands most fair. The Wright Brothers dreamed, and—man became master of the air. Fulton dreamed, and palaces sailed the seas. Marconi dreamed, and messages caught the evening breeze.

When nineteen hundred twenty eight was a wee bit of a tot Somebody dreamed a beautiful dream, and it truly "hit the spot"! The brave

said the dreamer's dream was one that was passing fair; but the faint of heart saw in this dream only a wild and restless night mare.

'Twas a dream of a birthday party as you will all agree. Not many observe their fortieth year with very much of glee. But not so this stalwart maiden—unlike to you and me. She rejoiced in her forty summers, Miss W. M. U. of the S. B. C. The "Ruby Anniversary Limited" was chartered by the crowd, and the birthday party started out, with plans of which they're proud. Aboard were presidents, Secretaries, chairmen; organizations and individuals galore; and the basic number of this crowd was the little number "Four".

Behind were forty years of service; ahead four thousand Rubies new, Four million dollars and forty thousand members; and four times ninety days in which this task to do.

Through the whole Southland this tour was made; and if perchance some days seemed dull, then to the rescue came "peppy" souls like our own Anna C. Scull.

No hamlet so remote that is did not feel that for a task like this it takes courage and loving service to "lengthen cords and strengthen stakes".

The steps leading to this victory were organization, Study, Prayer and Giving. These steps to the Art Sublime—the Art of Christian living.

We suspect that soon when our ship comes in with supporters loyal and true, we'll proclaim in one grand chorus, A Victory for the W. M. U. When with praise and glad thanksgiving, these laurels we lay at his feet, may ourselves be a part of the offering, then the victory will be complete.

Home Mission Week Of Prayer Literature

The programs for the March Week of Prayer have gone to every W. M. U. Organization in the State. If you fail to get yours, please write us at once. If you get yours, please do not misplace it, but plan AT ONCE for the Week. In giving out the programs, read them over carefully to see what helps are needed by the Leaders; then provide those helps. Most of the suggestions are based on the booklet "The Heart of Home Missions". This must be passed from one leader to another. The paid leaflets will have to be ordered from Birmingham Headquarters. Mississippi W. M. U. is asked for \$5,000.00 of the suggested apportionment of \$100,000.00. Surely we will give that much and more. Our Executive Board vote that the offering should go to the MISSION work of the Home Board, and not the debt.

Beloved, let us plan carefully for our Week of Prayer. But over and above any plans of ours let us PRAY daily for the Week. Let us do all we can to encourage the observance of the full week.

Rev. E. Butler Abington of Bartlett, Tenn., resigns the care of the churches at Belen and Rich in Mississippi to accept a call to Anna, Ill., a town of 4,000 people, and a membership of 626.

A debate in New York City between Prof. Jos. McCabe and Dr. W. B. Riley of Minneapolis on "Resolved that Evolution is true and should be Taught in the schools" drew a crowd and was of big interest.

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East Mississippi Department

By R. L. Breland

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Dr. W. E. Farr, pastor of First Baptist Church of Grenada, writes: "Was in Tupelo last week in Holcomb's Conference and never in my life have I spent a week more profitably."

Rev. J. E. McCraw, pastor at Decatur, said in a recent letter: "I am certainly well pleased with my work here. We have not finished laying out our work for the year yet because of so much sickness, but shall do that right soon. My family, all except Mrs. McCraw, has been down with measles, but are over the effects of them now except the cough."

THE NESHOPA DEMOCRAT, Philadelphia: "Rev. Z. M. Dunn, of Burnside, died in a local hospital here on Jan. 24, 1929. He was nearly 74 years old and had been an ordained Baptist minister since 1892. His funeral was conducted at Burnside by Elders W. W. Kyzar and S. J. Rhodes, and was attended by a large number of friends and relatives." Rev. Z. M. Dunn had not been actively engaged in the ministerial work for the past few years. I hope to give a more extended sketch of him soon.

A dear afflicted sister, in her letter recently, recited this little verse which gives us a vision of her heart while she suffers:

"In the desert a fountain is springing,

In the wide waste there still is a tree;

And a bird in the solitude singing,
Which speaks to my spirit of Thee."

Rev. Johnnie Breland is taking his second year in the Baptist Bible Institute. He is a licensed preacher, a son of the late Rev. F. M. Breland of Neshoba County. He is also studying gospel music. He has led in a number of successful revivals

as music director. He is open for work as evangelist or music director in meetings. If you wish to confer with him about this address him—New Orleans, La., 1220 Washington Ave. He has good testimonials as to his proficiency as music director.

The first session of the Grenada-Yalobusha Baptist Pastors' Conference has been called to meet at Grenada on Monday, Feb. 18, at 10:00 A. M. for the purpose of organizing and also a good program has been arranged. The Study of First Timothy will be the theme of discussion and on the program appear the names of J. W. Hicks, J. M. Corley, J. E. Heath, W. E. Farr, J. M. Grantham, E. S. Flynt, J. F. Hartley, L. J. Lott, Leroy Sellers, H. I. Rushing, B. L. Hamby, R. L. Breland, J. M. Metts. Thirty minutes will be given to queries and general discussion. It is the purpose of those interested to have one meeting of this conference each month. Rev. E. R. Henderson, pastor of Central Baptist Church with whom the Conference will meet next week, is one of the leaders in the meeting. All ministers and others are invited to attend these meetings.

News has just reached me of the death of a dear friend and a useful man over in Neshoba County. This man was Rev. Jacob C. Long, who died at Philadelphia Feb. 5. He was a Methodist minister who had preached to the people of Neshoba County for 43 years and had literally worn out his life with little compensation of a material nature, but we feel confident that there is heavenly riches waiting for him. His local paper says of him: "Rev. J. C. Long, age 77, died at his home here Tuesday night. He was reared in Smith County, but came to this county early in life. He had been a Methodist minister for 48 years, 43 years in Neshoba County. It is said of Mr. Long that he had married more couples and preached more funerals than any other person in this section of the state." Having known Bro. Long for many, many years, I know that what is said above of him is true. He was loved and honored by his friends.

The Baptists of Mississippi and other readers of the Baptist Record as part of the large family of American Baptist have a distinct interest in the work of the American Baptist Historical Society which has undertaken through the years to gather Baptist publications of all sorts and to place the materials of Baptist life and achievements. The Society undertakes not only to care for Baptist books, Baptist magazines, Baptist newspapers and other publications but also to make these easily available for those who come to its library and still further to answer inquiries which come by letter concerning the lives of Baptists and the work which Baptists have accomplished. Readers of the Baptist Record, especially clerks of associations and other Baptist bodies may share in this wide service by

sending to the American Baptist Historical Society, Chester, Pa., a copy of minutes or other publications which are issued. Some readers of the Baptist Record may know of old minutes of Baptist associations. These are particularly valuable. A letter addressed to the Society at Chester, Pa., concerning any of the above matters will receive welcome attention.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

As a Commercial Appeal Reporter
Sees It

Reorganization of the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, following the defalcation of nearly \$1,000,000 by its recent treasurer, and the formation of plans for a more liberal support of the general missionary education and benevolent program of the denomination, will be among the major topics that will loom large in the business programs of the Southern Baptist Convention here May 9 to 12.

This year's session will take on a greater significance for Baptist women of the south in that it will mark the completion of their ruby anniversary year. Members of the Woman's Missionary Union will celebrate 40 years of organized work by an effort to increase the number of local societies in the churches, and to raise \$4,000,000 during the year. The fund will be used in the Baptist co-operative program, as the general missionary and benevolent program of the denomination is known.

Dr. George W. Truett of Dallas, for two years president of the Convention, likely will be re-elected by acclamation. His re-election would be in keeping with custom which allows any man holding the presidency to three years' service without opposition.

Program Withheld

Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Shreveport, is chairman of the committee on order of business for the Convention, but the tentative program which his committee will prepare will not be available until shortly before the Convention assembles.

Dr. Dodd plans to bring about considerable variation in this year's program from those of recent years, especially in the matter of providing more inspirational addresses. It is likely that he will recommend that the transaction of business be confined to the day sessions, leaving the evening sessions free for inspirational messages. Since 1929 has been designated as stewardship year by the Convention, it seems certain that some of the addresses will deal with this subject.

While the program is far from completed, it is understood that the principal sermon of the Convention will be made by Dr. W. L. Ball, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Spartanburg. The date for this feature has not been fixed by the program committee.

Due to a conflict with another

national convention, which comes to Memphis, May 13, the Baptist Convention will be one day shorter than usual. The usual Saturday recess, that has characterized the sessions of the last few years, will be dispensed with this year.

Local Pastors Attend

Among local Baptist pastors taking a leading part in making preparations of the Convention are: The Rev. Ben Cox, pastor of Central Baptist Church; the Rev. A. U. Boone, pastor of First Baptist Church; the Rev. J. Norris Palmer, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, and the Rev. S. P. Poag, pastor of Merton Avenue Baptist Church.

Many of the Memphis Baptist churches are planning revivals during the latter part of April and following the close of the Convention. At which time prominent ministers and laymen attending the meeting will be invited to preach by the various congregations.

The coming of the Southern Baptist Convention is expected to bring about a renewed interest in church work in all denominations of the city, especially in the larger churches.

Two Jews of national prominence recently visiting San Francisco gave out an interview declaring the need of a religious revival. They are Adolph S. Ochs, editor of the New York Times, and Henry Mongan-thau, ambassador to Turkey in the Wilson administration. The latter is quoted as saying: "America needs to take a new view of the moral aspect of life. As the financial leadership of the world has been forced upon us since the war, so is the moral responsibility of the world being forced upon us. This drive and rush toward materialism must be arrested. Our high financial leadership can never be permanent unless it is placed on a high moral basis."

Pastor J. B. Leavell has a Bible Conference in his church, First Church of Houston, Feb. 18-22. Among the speakers are Drs. T. L. Holcomb, R. L. Powell, I. E. Gates, Wallace Bassett and W. C. McClung.

Dr. J. E. Nunn of Amarillo offers to give \$25,000 to Wayland College endowment on condition that other friends of the college contribute \$125,000; or parts of this sum in installments of one-fifth the amount.

J. C. Everett, for eight years pastor in South San Antonio, has been elected mayor of that city. He continues his pastoral work. The town of Clinton, Mississippi, has a Baptist preacher for mayor, and has never had a better one.

First Church, Marshall, Texas, began using their \$39,000 annex on Feb. 15.

Morton Sunday School rendered a special program Sunday morning in honor of the Ladies T. E. L. Class. Mr. Knox Huff delivered a splendid address. Were also favored with a special solo and music. The T. E. L. Class is now a standard class.

The Sunday School Department

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Feb. 17, 1929

Prayer—Matt.

6:5-13; Luke 18:9-14; I John 5:14,15

Golden Text—If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatsoever ye will, and it shall be done unto you. John 15:7.

1. Street and Synagogue or Inner Chamber—Which? In our devotions privacy is better than publicity, the closet preferable to curious synagogue or gaping street corner. In our praying we are not to be as hypocrites who (as the word means) are but actors, mask-wearers, pretenders. Their only place of prayer is public, their only purpose is to attract notice, and their only reward is a cheap reputation for piety. Far to the contrary, the true worshiper is to seek his inner chamber, to retreat into absolute retirement where he can shut out the world with all its concerns and shut in his soul before the Mercy-Seat, and where he may offer to the Father the reward-bringing prayer. It is not said that public prayer is wrong or that secret prayer is always right, for there are such things as ostentatious privacy and unostentatious publicity. But prayer must be always sincere.

2. Vain Repetitions or the Lord's Prayer—Which? The multiplied babblings of the heathen furnish a warning to the believer. They think the value of prayer depends on the number and length of prayers offered. But prayer is weighed, not measured or counted; a multiplication of words can never atone for emptiness. Not frequency, but frequency for effect is vain. Not repetition, but unmeaning repetition is unavailing. God knows our needs before our prayers ascend; hence prayer must come from the heart if it rises higher than the head. Graciously he gives a pattern which is often called "the Lord's prayer" (a title dating from the third century) though the version usually offered comes from Cranmer's Prayer Book rather than from the Gospels.

We are sure it was a model rather than a form because at a later date he gave a model (Luke 11:2-4) in language slightly different from that recorded here. As the Decalogue falls into two parts so does this model of social prayer, the first petitions relating to God and the others to man. As Griffith says, "We pray for our Father's honor, dominion, service; and then for our preservation, pardon, protection". The invocation presents (Williams) the parentage—Father; the brotherhood—our Father; and the home—our Father who art in heaven. The first petition desires that the divine name should be sanctified, held sacred, revered. It should be honored, not blasphemed; revered and not polluted. The second petition yearns for the spread of the divine Kingdom which then was begun under

fair auspices and one day will be established throughout the earth. The third petition wishes everyone on earth to be pleasing to God even as it is in heaven. The term will is used (Broadus) in three senses: God's will of purpose always comes to pass; his will of desire not always on earth as in heaven; while his will of command is often and flagrantly disobeyed. The fourth petition looks to God for our daily bread. Physical nourishment day by day is needed. That we may partake of it and be strengthened by it is a legitimate object of prayer. The fifth petition concerns our unfulfilled moral obligations and short-comings in the service of God. The temper of the penitent is and must be that of forgiveness. As Broadus remarks: "This does not present our forgiveness of others as the ground of our being forgiven, nor as strictly the measure of God's forgiveness towards us; but by comparing the forgiveness we supplicate with that we have shown, it states very implicitly the idea that the unforgiving can never be forgiven". The sixth petition calls for divine leadership in the midst of the tests of life and divine deliverance from the seduction and pitfalls of the evil one. The familiar words of the doxology are wanting in the best manuscripts and hence do not appear in our Revised Versions. "But while this closing doxology may not be in the inspired text, it fits like a crown upon the whole prayer, and is eminently appropriate for private and public use."

3. The Pharisee's pride or the Publican's humility—which? As they entered the Temple, what a contrast between Pharisee and publican—the one a boasted saint, the other a branded sinner! With confident tread the Pharisee entered the inner sanctuary; with trembling steps the publican came only to the outer court. The Pharisee prayed with finished phrase and dignified demeanor; the publican simply ejaculated his heartbreak in a single burning, bleeding, broken sentence. See the Pharisee at prayer: he was manifestly ostentatious and utterly undevotional; he prayed "with himself", more in soliloquy than in supplication; his very gratitude was the essence of conceit; his attitude toward others (the publican for example) was marked by un pitying disdain; he detailed his merits and deleted his unworthiness, five times using the capital "I" in a reported prayer of thirty-four words. See the publican at prayer: he stood in an attitude of reverence; his very look betrayed a consciousness of his sinfulness; he smote upon his

breast in vehement self-reproach; and when his feelings finally found words he confessed himself a sinner, cried to God against whom he had sinned, and pleaded for the mercy of pardon and peace. Who prayed the better prayer? In fact, which alone really prayed at all? All the world knows that Jesus gave the right answer. For pride shrivels before the Mercy-Seat while humility is the open road to the Throne of Grace.

4. Uncertainty or assurance—which? That God hears and answers prayer is as certain as the sun shines. But observe (1) Effectual prayer is offered by those who have eternal life because (v. 13) they "believe on the name of the Son of God". (2) It springs out of the confidence we have toward him. (3) It expresses itself in petition which calls on him for what he alone can give. (4) While it includes "anything" it is limited to "his will" for the sufficient reason that his will must be supreme and always because it is best for us in every way. (5) It is guaranteed accessibility to God and acceptability to God for, "we know that he heareth us". (6) It is crowned with the knowledge that all the petitions we have asked of him up to this moment are a price-less prayer possession, whether the answers are past, present, or prospective, for already they have been signed and sealed even though some may remain yet to be delivered. "Ask and ye shall receive."

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method through our paper to thank our many friends and good neighbors for their help and sympathy shown us during the sickness and death of our little grandson, A. W. Moulder, 8 years old, son of A. W. and Frankie Moulder. Nothing worth more to us in time of trouble and need than our friends.

D. W. & Mrs. D. W. Moulder

ORGANIZED CLASS BANNER

Any organized class in Mississippi wanting to enter the contest for the banner given at the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention

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The Children's Circle

Mrs. P. I. Lipsey

Bible Study, Genesis 12

Abram was born among people who were worshippers of idols, but God revealed Himself to him as the one God. God chose Abram as the founder or beginner of a nation that should be His people as none had been before. He called Abram to leave his country and his kin people and his father's house, and go into a strange land. The writer of Hebrews (Heb. 11:8) tells us that he went out, not knowing whither he went. You never went on a trip without knowing where it would end, did you? But God went with Abram, and told him He would make of him a great nation, and bless him. He also told him that in him all the families of the earth should be blessed. This came true hundreds of years afterwards, when Jesus was born into Abram's family, and became the Saviour of the world. The Lord led Abram into the land which was to become his land, and when they came to Shechem, Abram built an altar and worshipped the one true God. Soon afterwards, Abram moved to a mountain east of Bethel, and again he built an altar, and worshipped, calling on the name of Jehovah. I wonder if we always go to thank Him for the things He is all the time doing for us?

My dear Children:

I hope you have been able to find some of the books for the Orphanage School Library. This may mean a great deal to the Orphanage. The list was not printed just as I wanted it, one name under another, but study it out, and see if you haven't some that you can spare. Our Bible Study list has grown considerably, and is a good list, but I won't be satisfied until we have a hundred on it, and more. So read the chapter-a-week, and send in your name.

Did you know that violets and jonquils and narcissus are blooming, and that some of my tulips are peeping out of the ground? Spring will soon be here!

Much love to you all, from,
Mrs. Lipsey.

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Ripley, Miss., Jan. 7, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I have been thinking about writing and joining The Children's Circle for a long time, but put it off. I always enjoy reading the children's letters. I am a little boy 9 years old, and in the 4th grade. I live in the country about 3 miles from Ripley. I go to S. S. and church at Ripley most every Sunday. I like to go. I have only one brother, and we have a good time hunting with

our dogs. We have 4 fine puppies. Mrs. Lipsey, I am sending 25c to help the B. B. I. girl. Your new friend,
Collins P. Mitchell.

You didn't tell whether your puppies are setters or pointers, Collins. Have you named them? The money will be a help to our Miss Gladys. Thank you.

Bolton, Miss., Jan. 27, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I have just finished reading the Bible study and letters, and I enjoyed them very much. Please accept me as one of your members. I have also studied your questions, and am sending the answers. I am a member of the Baptist Church at "Brownsville". Rev. W. P. Davis is our pastor, and his wife is one of my teachers at school also. Mr. J. G. Jacob is one of my teachers. I love all of them very dearly. I just know Audra Cook must be happy, for she said she was blessed with a Father and Mother. I am only blessed with a Mother. My Father died Aug. 14, 1926. I have a wonderful Mother, though. She reads the Bible and prays continually for the ones who are lost. I am, however, blessed with 7 brothers. May God bless you and the orphans. Love from, a new member,

Rena Mae Martin.

The answers were all right, Rena Mae. We are glad to have you as a member of our Bible Study Band.

Union, Miss., Jan. 27, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Here I come again after an absence of very near a year. I have joined your Bible Study, and am enjoying it so much. I also enjoy The Children's Circle more every week, and can hardly wait each week for The Baptist Record. I am in the third grade this session. My teacher's name is Miss Melba Northen, and I love her very much. Am sending you 10c for the B. B. I. girl, and hope to send more next time. I have a new pair of skates, and am learning how to skate. Love and best wishes to all.

Allan C. Clarke.

We are so much obliged for your kind words, Allan. Thank you also for the money for the B. B. I. girl.

Oxford, Miss., R. 3, Jan. 27, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am writing you for the first time, and would like to join The Children's Circle. I am sending 10c and you may use it for the Orphanage. I am 10 years old, and study the 4th grade. My teacher is Miss Louise Blasingame. I go to school at College Hill at the Lafayette County Agricultural High School. Prof. J. B. Edwards is the Superintendent. I enjoy the children's letters and the Bible study. I will close with good wishes to all.

Hosea Holcomb Locke.

I used to live at Oxford, Hosea, when I was a good deal younger than I am now, lived there for sixteen years. Thank you for the money, and you are now a member of The Children's Circle and of the Bible Readers' Band.

Lyman, Miss., Jan. 22, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I have been going to school so, therefore, haven't had time to write. Mother, sister and I are reading the Bible together, and I do enjoy it. I am always glad when the Record comes, as I do love to read the letters. So many of them my Mother knows. She told me who Sue Belle was and what she calls you, so I am in on your secret, too. I am en-

closing \$1.50 for the B. B. I. girl. Mother is sending the \$1.00 and Irene and I 25c apiece. We earned this by helping Mother. May God bless Miss Andrews and the little orphans. Love to you and them. Your friend,
David Lee Clark.

Well, David, Lillie Pittman asked so sweetly about that matter last week that I told her. But you had Mother to tell you, and didn't have to ask.

Newton, Miss., Jan. 25, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

As I answered the questions you asked this week, I thought I had better write you a letter too. I am in the eighth grade this session, and it is pretty hard. I only had to take two tests this term. I didn't have to take any last term. Everyone had to take English tests because our teacher went away Thanksgiving and could not return until after Christmas on account of the serious illness of her mother. Several of the teachers have sickness in their families. I have measles now. It didn't hurt me bad. I was sick one day and night. I stayed in bed four days, and am not up all the time yet. Measles makes you mighty weak. I have been up since 10:30 A. M. They will not let me get out of doors yet, so I sit in the chair and nurse my cat. He is the noly pet I have. I have had him over a year. He is large and yellow. His name is Gingerbread. He is as badly spoiled as any baby. He has a fight nearly every night and almost always loses. He is lying up in my lap now with a sore foot where some cat bit him in a fight. A member,

Beatrice Phillips.

P. S.—I had a nice Christmas and hope you, the orphans and Miss Gladys did too. I am sending 25c for her.

It's nice that you have Gingerbread to keep you company while you have to stay in, Beatrice. I think I can see how he looks, from his name. Take care of yourself.

Shivers, Miss., Jan. 28, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I am a little boy 9 years old. I go to school every day and like my teacher fine. Her name is Miss Myra Fortenberry. We take The Baptist Record, and enjoy reading the children's page. Dr. Lipsey preached for us at Stonewall last July a year ago. I am sending you 10c for Miss Gladys. I hope to see this in print, as it's my first time to write. Your friend,

Gayden Berry.

You do mighty well, Gayden, to remember way back to July a year ago. I suspect Mother helped you to remember. Thank you for the money, and write again soon.

New Hebron, Miss., Jan. 26-29.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey & Circle Friends:

Here is hoping I'm not intruding as I have written once before. I for one am reading the "Bible Study." Don't think you, Mrs. Lipsey, could have selected a more appropriate subject. All who will read it over will get a good moral lesson. I think if I was called to answer for what I am most thankful for would say my "Bible." In searching for answers to your questions, I read several passages of scripture that I had heard good sermons preached from. I recall one taken from the chapter the fourth question is answered in, By Bro. J. F. Dale, one of our best preachers. Little children I don't have any little girl or boy of my own to teach this little prayer, so I'm sending it to you all. Gentle Saviour at thy knee,
a little child looks up to thee.
Keep me safe thru the star-shine.
Make a loving heart of mine.
When you want me for your own,
Guide my footsteps to your throne.

Am sending \$1.00 for the B. B. I.

girl.—A friend.

We think highly of you, dear "friend," and have only one thing against you, and that is that you don't tell us your name. We thank you so much for the help with the B. B. I. girl.

Louin, Miss., Jan. 18, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

This is my first time to write. I enjoy reading The Children's Circle very much. I am 9 years old and in the 4th grade. I like to go to school very much. I am sending 10c for the B. B. I. girl, and my love, too. I have had the flu, but it did not hurt me much. I hope none of you all have it. It has been bad weather down here. I hope to see this in print. With love and best wishes,

Mellie Lee Carr.

P. S. I have a little sister 5 years old and in the primer. She likes to go to school.

Miss Gladys is obliged for the money and the love. I think you must have a good teacher. Come again soon.

Florence, Miss. R. 3, Jan. 21-1929

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

One of your Circle members is also a cousin of ours, Tommie Loyd Hodges, has asked us to join the Circle, so we are asking admission. I, Bessie Virginia, will be 2 years old the 24th, and little sister, Margaret Louise, was one month old the 12th, so you see we are rather young but hope we aren't too young and small to join the Circle. We will send some money for the B. B. I. girl next time. We live near Florence. With love to all the Circle, Lovingly yours, Bessie Virginia and Margaret Louise Caruthers.

Indeed you are not too young, neither Bessie nor Margaret, but I believe that Margaret is the youngest member we have. You are mighty good writers for your ages. Please write again real soon.

Pachuta, Miss., Jan. 8, 1928.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

May I join your Circle? I am 8 years old, and I am in the third grade at school. My teacher's name is Miss Townsend. I love her very much. I am sending a dime for the B. B. I. girl. I will send more next time. I hope Santa was good to all the children. I have had a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. I will close. I think I have a long letter, at least long enough.

Your friend—Jewell Phillips.

We never refuse a member, Jewel, especially a little girl who is eight years old and sends a dime for the B. B. I. girl. You are now an Honor Member of our Circle.

Lena, Miss., Jan. 16, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I have been planning for some time to join your happy circle also join the Bible reading. I commenced reading the 1st of Jan., and read a chapter every night.

I am sending 10c for the Orphanage. My Father died in 1918 in the flu epidemic. I am 10 years old and in the fifth grade. I have lived in Cleveland, Miss., all of my life until a year ago. We moved to Scott County.

In our old home on the farm I go on a truck three and a half miles to school at Lena, Miss. We have a nice new brick school-house. Today at our school house we planted bulbs and shrubbery. I have learned to write on brother's typewriter and I am going to write this letter to you on it.

Your friend—Jesse S. White.

You made a pretty good job of it, too, Jesse. I am pleased to have you as a member with us, and also as a member of the Bible Readers' Band. Thank you for the money.

CHRISTMAS AT SHANGHAI COLLEGE

By Herman C. E. Liu, President

Kung Ho Hsin Nien—A Happy New Year to you! At this joyful season we are thinking of you and wish to express our thanks to you for your interest in our work.

The Christmas Season at Shanghai College began with an evangelistic campaign. Dr. T. C. Bau, Class '14, Secretary of the Chekiang-Shanghai Baptist Convention, was the speaker at all the chapel services. Under the able leadership of our Religious Director, Mr. F. K. Dju, the Christian teachers and students organized personal work bands. This is just the climax of our whole year's religious work. As a result, twelve students definitely decided to join the church. Scores of them have been interviewed and many are now inquirers. As a matter of fact, this whole campaign has been also very helpful for the Christian students and teachers to re-dedicate their lives to Christ. There was no sign of the anti-Christian sentiment on the part of any of our most radical students and it seems that the tide is entirely changed. There is indeed a great opportunity for religious work!

The Yuletide was ushered in with grand celebrations by different organizations of the College. It began early in the week of December 18th, as classes were suspended on the 22nd, and the students had several entertainments before leaving the College for the holidays.

Under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A., a very charming celebration was held in the Woman's Building. The Faculty wives and women teachers were the guests. There was a tableaux play depicting the scene at Bethlehem, Christmas music and Santa to distribute the gifts.

The Kindergarten and Elementary School greeted the Christmas Season with a very unique presentation of the Christmas Pageant. It was done symbolically, not historically, and showed to perfection the ingenuity of Miss Bryan, principal. She used the every day life of the Chinese to interpret the Christmas story, a thing beautiful to behold.

The next afternoon a party was held in the Elementary School for the parents and families of the students attending the school. Christmas Carols, costumes and lanterns, added to the picturesqueness of the entire performance.

Friday night the campus was awakened by the soft carolling of Christmas songs by students from the choir led by Mr. Edward M. P. Chao. They stopped at each house and sang one song, at the end of which they wished the occupants a "Merry Christmas". This is a custom that never grows old or wearisome.

Saturday afternoon the servants on the campus and the people from the villages surrounding, were invited to a celebration in the College gymnasium. A program was arranged by the students to entertain the children, after which a package

of Christmas goodies and a toy was handed to every one present.

The Faculty Sunday School youngsters put on a skit in the afternoon of December 23rd at five o'clock. The entire program was in the hands of the young people who did credit to their charge. The Christmas Fairy distributed gifts, while the Spirit of Christmas read the story from Matthew.

A special joint program was arranged for Christmas Eve. The Faculty and students each prepared a few numbers and a play, which was really a Sermon in Play, showing how a Christian won a non-Christian to Christ. It was very inspiring and helpful.

The round of festivities was brought to a close on Christmas Night when the Faculty and their families met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kelhofer for a "Sing" old Christmas Carols and Hymns. Mrs. Hipps arranged the program. This was followed by "doughnuts and coffee"—and to all a good night! One of the special features was that we encouraged everybody not only to receive but also to give clothes, shoes and other useful articles, to our less fortunate neighbors. Director D. Y. Tsien of our Social Center had arranged an attractive program and distributed the gifts in Yangtsepoo.

The Christmas atmosphere prevailed this year in Shanghai as in any other city in Europe or America. The shops were lighted and decorated, the Christmas crowds jammed the stores to capacity and gifts were the order of the day. Christians and non-Christians swarmed the gift counters. It was good to see this old-time manifestation of "peace on earth to men of good will". There were no anti-Christian demonstrations of any kind, as has so often been the case in recent years.

The Spirit of Christmas pervaded the hearts of men, women and children as it does the hearts of others, everywhere. The happy smile, the glowing cheeks and the sparkling eyes told of the kind thoughts within. Shanghai College received its share of this contagious happiness and we mean to keep some of it here long after the Yuletide Season is past. And so, Shanghai College Faculty and Students send you the Season's Greetings and hope that the Yuletide Peace and Happiness may remain with you throughout the coming year.

Tsinanfu, Shantung, China,
Jan. 12.

Dear Friends:

I am sure you will be interested in an experience which one of our two months old church members (a woman) gave last Monday during one of my classes for women. She was very modest about it and gave it only at my suggestion. She said, "We had heard that our street was to be robbed that night, but too late to send word to my husband. At the stated time, we heard the noise which convinced us that the dirty work had begun. My six year old daughter and I knelt by our bed and

prayed the Heavenly Father for protection, and to our surprise, even fear was removed (Ps. 34:4) and we went to bed and were soon fast asleep. The next morning a relative who was also a neighbor came in and asked, 'Who guarded your place last night?' I replied that neither the hired man nor my husband were at home. 'Yes, but some one was there, the yard seemed to be full of people and we could see a light. We supposed you had hired the Red Spear Society to protect you for the night, from the noises we heard in your yard. The robbers also heard this and passed by your place, not daring to enter.' Then I replied, 'Of course we prayed and the Heavenly Father sent angels to protect us.' (Ps. 91:11.) This testimony was given very simply, since she is just beginning our Bible reading course. Today the Bible woman returned and was rejoicing over the change in this Mrs. Yu's husband. He used to preach to us when we went to his home to preach. He had been sick for several days and has become greatly concerned about his soul's welfare. A few nights ago he wept bitterly and his first voiced desire the next morning was that "Mrs. Abernathy and the Bible woman come that day". The Bible woman went that forenoon and they refused to let her come back home last night. She promised the family that we would both go Monday. She truly is a light which cannot be hid.

The new Ford surely has made travel on our field a pleasure, instead of something to be dreaded. As we passed by the people on donkeys and wheel-barrows, we thought where we would be according to the "law", but rejoice that we are now living in the age of G-R-A-C-E. The muleteers would quickly blindfold their donkeys with their skirts, thus aiding us in getting by with the minimum of excitement. Sometimes when women were overtaken they would take to the fields like scared rabbits. We were sometimes held up for a few minutes by ox carts which were in such deep road beds that they could not get out. Occasionally we would find ourselves "roadbound". The road bed would be far below the level of the fields and deep ruts cut which were about five inches narrower than the tread of the car. In such cases we would just back out and go across the fields. When we stopped at homes for only a few minutes I would remain in the car while Mr. Abernathy went in to invite the people to the meeting. It was enlightening (?) to hear the many comments. "Is it a car, or is it a train? It sounds like an airplane; did you ever see so many screws? Don't touch them,

the thing might start. Did you ever see such big pieces of glass?" (Many of these country folk had never seen a glass window.) One said, "Do you suppose she can see us, or hear what we say?" Then I would let down the glass and talk to them. It has been a joy to have the workers go with us, especially when they are having their very first trip in a car.

We think of you dear people often and are "thankful upon every remembrance of you". We thank you again for your interest in us and prayers for us and the work here in China. A letter from you at any time will cheer us up.

Yours In Him,

—Mrs. J. A. Abernathy.

Would you be so kind to say in your paper of this week, that the Old Men's Home is in need of money, and are asking that all Sunday Schools and lodges of all kinds give this Old Men's Home their best cooperation the last Sunday of February or first of March. We have taken in now 81 old men in 37 months, and quite a lot now appealing. We will appreciate this kindness of you, please.

Sincerely yours,

—W. G. Frnacis, Supt.,
Old Men's Home,
Jackson, Miss.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE LUCEDALE W. M. U.

Whereas Bro. B. E. Massey has rendered such noble service since he has been Supt., of our Baptist Orphanage, and he has helped the Baptists of the State of Mississippi to render more efficient service to our Orphanage by keeping us informed of their needs, and that now he has seen fit to resign.

Be it resolved by our W. M. U. at our business session on January the 28th, 1929. That we appreciate the unselfish consecration and tireless labors of his work, and we feel that no one could be more loyal and energetic and self sacrificing in trying to make the Home what the Baptists of the State would have it be.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to The Baptist Record for publication, and that a copy be sent to Bro. Massey, and a copy be placed on our Minutes.

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Our Conference Leaders At The Convention

The B. Y. P. U. section of the S. S. and B. Y. P. U. convention meeting in Jackson March 19-21 will have the best arranged conference periods we have ever had. We are having for fifty five minutes Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 to 9:25 five conferences, these will be as follows, Junior and Intermediate Leaders will be divided into two sections, one for new leaders and one for leaders who have attended the convention before and gotten conference work; Conference for Juniors, one for Intermediates and one for Senior and Adult. Following these conferences we will have group conferences as follows, Pastors; General officers; Presidents and Group Captains; Vice presidents; Secretaries; Corresponding Secretaries; Bible Readers Leaders; Treasurers; Choristers and Pianists; and Association officers. Our leaders will be Dr. W. W. William, of Jacksonville, Fla., Miss Elizabeth Perry, Montgomery, Ala., Dr. Frank M. Purser, Oxford, Miss., Miss Mary D. Yarborough, Blue Mt., Mr. J. H. Pennebaker, Hattiesburg, Mrs. V. E. Boston, Winona, Mr. Fred H. Terry, University, Rev. S. J. Rhodes, Burnside, Mr. H. M. Pippin, Columbus, Mrs. Baylis Overstreet, Beaumont, Miss Elene Harris, Hattiesburg, Miss Cecelia Durscherl, Jackson, Auber J. Wilds, Oxford. THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL BLESSING FOR YOU THERE.

It Isn't Too Late

It isn't too late yet to plan for your Study Course for regular Study Course Week March 10-16. Books should be ordered right away from The Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss. Put your instruction committee to work now boosting the attendance. MAKE IT A GO! It will mean more efficient officers and members of the committees and thus the moving forward of the Lord's kingdom. SET A GOAL for the number of awards you will issue and GO AFTER that many.

A New Church Starts Off Right

A new church has been organized in Pike county, "Progress Baptist Church" and they start off right by setting up the General B. Y. P. U. Organization and organizing FOUR B. Y. P. U's. They start off with an adult, senior, intermediate and junior union with Mr. O. B. Boyd elected director. We extend our best wishes to this new church and new B. Y. P. U's and shall look forward to having some good reports all along from them. Miss Madge Simmons reports this new work.

Encouragement

We are indebted to Miss Corrie Lee Byrd for the following words of encouragement "I have received

the material for which I wrote and asked for. I want to thank you for it. We will try and use it the very best way possible and so help you and your workers to make this the very best year in B. Y. P. U. work in the State." Co-operation is what we need. It is the only way Baptists can carry on their work. Miss Byrd is leader of the "Keys" union Brookhaven.

Stone County Associational B. Y. P. U. Organized

The Stone Co. Associational B. Y. P. U. has been organized and Bro. J. N. Miller, pastor of the Wiggins church writes that we can depend on this being a permanent organization. They had their first program the first Sunday in February and from all accounts it was a wonderfully helpful meeting. Congratulations Stone.

Hattiesburg Three In One Program

The week January 27-February 2 marked the week for Mississippi Woman's College, State Teachers College and the churches of Hattiesburg in their B. Y. P. U. study course and conference work. It was our pleasure and privilege to have Bro. Jow B. Moseley, B. Y. P. U. Secretary of Louisiana with us and we are indebted to him for some splendid work. We had these classes at S. T. C. each afternoon beginning at four-forty, four classes at Woman's College beginning at six-thirty, and conferences at First church each evening beginning at seven forty-five. Dr. Marriner, pastor of First Church taught in the school at Woman's College along with Mr. Moseley, Miss Durscherl and myself. Each evening for fifteen minutes preceding the class work at Woman's College a stunt was given. The Junior class had the stunt one evening, the Seniors, the Sophomores, the Freshmen and on Thursday the faculty, that is the study course faculty. No question, those girls know how to put on a stunt. The work at the church was conference work, Miss Durscherl had the leaders of the city each evening through Thursday and two other conferences were held each evening for different groups of officers each time. On Friday evening a meeting of the executive committee of the Forrest Co. Associational B. Y. P. U. was held and some helpful plans worked out for the future success of the organization. It was a successful week's work. It was the privilege of Mr. Moseley and your secretary to be entertained at State Teachers College. We are indebted to President Bennett and others for their splendid hospitality.

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FATHER OF NEWTON CITIZENS DIES AT HIS HOME IN MONTROSE

G. W. James of Montrose, father of W. W. and P. T. James of Newton, died at his residence, after a short illness, of heart trouble.

Mr. James was born in Jasper County, near Missionary, May 15th, 1858. He died at Montrose in Jasper County, January 13th, 1929. At the time of his death he was 70 years, 7 months and 28 days of age. He was married to Miss Mollie Farmer, September 26th, 1881. To them were born six children, four sons and two daughters. There are seventeen grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who are all living.

Mr. James had been for nearly one half a century an active member of the Baptist Church, was for over a quarter of a century an active and leading deacon. He has always been a progressive leader in church and civic affairs, having contributed largely to the building of two Baptist churches in his community, and having been active in maintaining the schools which have been so long established and kept going at Montrose. He spent his entire life in the Montrose community, having moved there with his parents from Missionary when he was a small boy. His vocations have been that of farming and merchandising, in both of which he has been successful. He has served on the town council for several years. Mr. James had the distinction of serving as a member of the first Board of Trustees of Clarke Memorial College, of which Board his son, Hon. W. W. James, is now the president.

He has left a goodly heritage in his family. Three of his four sons are deacons in churches in this state. W. W. James and P. T. James are deacons of the Newton Baptist Church; O. E. James is a deacon of the Bomar Avenue Baptist Church of Vicksburg, and George F. James, the youngest, is very active in the First Church, Vicksburg. His two daughters are residents of Montrose, Mrs. C. H. Wall and Mrs. J. E. Fanning. His widow, daughters, sons, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, rise up to call him blessed.

The obsequies were held in Montrose Baptist Church, with Rev. Carter, his pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. T. W. Green of Newton, with

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COLLEGE COLUMN

M. S. C. W. NOTES

An interesting and educational study course has been planned for the Baptist girls at M. S. C. W. The course, which begins February 17 and continues through February 23, includes Miss Julia Forbes, Miss Mary Alice Bibby, Miss Juanita Byrd, and Mr. W. A. Harrell. They will teach junior, intermediate, primary and beginners, and senior and adult work, respectively.

It is expected that a large number of girls will take these study courses.

About twenty of the Baptist college girls have been organized into a chorus with the purpose of presenting a thirty-minute musical program for the Baraca class at the First Baptist church each Sunday morning.

Mr. H. M. Pippin, Baptist educational secretary, has charge of the directing of the chorus at the practices, but one of the college girls directs the chorus each Sunday.

Reporter.

M. W. C. NOTES

One of the evidences of the work that is going on at M. W. C. is the good B. Y. P. U. Study Course that we had the week following January 28. We had with us for the week our own state workers, Mr. Wilds and Miss Cecelia Durscherl, assisted by Dr. E. H. Mariner, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hattiesburg, and Mr. J. B. Moseley who is the state Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. worker of Louisiana.

Since the Epworth League works with the B. Y. P. U.'s on the campus in enlisting all of the girls in a Training Service, there was a class for the Methodist girls taught by Dr. Joseph Smith, Pastor of the Main Street Methodist Church of Hattiesburg.

Besides being with us in the Study Course, Miss Durscherl conducted the Y. W. A. program at its meeting while she was here; and Mr. Moseley brought us a message in chapel on Thursday morning.

Another interesting visitor on the Campus was Dr. Cottingham who is president of Louisiana College, which corresponds to our Mississippi College.

Although we are still without a pastor, we are praying and working, and feel that God will give us the man whom we need. We miss Bro. W. S. Allen who is now at Pass Christian and Bay St. Louis, and pray that he may be as great a blessing there as he has been here.

Martha Story.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

B. S. U.

The college is receiving a great blessing this week in the form of Dr. B. F. Hahn, of Greenville, S. C., who

is lecturing before the School of Evangelism being held under the auspices of Dr. T. T. Martin. Dr. Hahn is one of the world's greatest scholars and we are duly grateful that it is our privilege to have him here in Blue Mountain this week. He lectures at the morning chapel hour where his profound yet simply



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The usual B. S. U. work is being carried on effectively. Plans for the second semester are being made, and the outlook is bright.

The B. Y. P. U.'s are all interested just now in the State Conference. We are hoping for a large delegation from here, and if the number interested is any indication of the number going, we will not be disappointed.

—Louise King.

ANDERSON SCHOOL HOUSE,
FLORA

Bro. Bryan Simmons, one of our State Board Evangelists came to us at the Anderson School House three miles east of Flora, Miss., on Sunday afternoon January 27 and stayed through Sunday afternoon Feb. 3, in a series of services.

The attendance was very good considering that it was January and not July. The preaching surely could not have been better. Bro. Simmons brought two stirring messages each day. And those that had the privilege of attending the services were conscious that the messages were from God, brought to them by one who had an experience of grace himself. Those that heard went away feeling that God had spoken through his man, and as a consequence they were drawn into a closer fellowship one with the other, but most of all unto him who died to save.

Bro. Simmons won a place in the hearts of those that heard him, and as a result he has been asked to return on Wednesday before the 3rd Sunday in July of this year for another meeting at the same place.

Surely our State Board made no mistake the day they asked Bryan Simmons to accept the place as an evangelist under their direction. He has spent several years in the pastorate which fits him all the better for the work that he is now in. He knows something of the many problems that face the pastor. He comes with the plain simple gospel story reinforced by a rich experience. His work is thoroughly constructive from the beginning to the end.

As a result of the meeting several names were added to the list of The Baptist Record, many were drawn closer to the ways of the Master, one was born in the the kingdom, and a very good offering made for the cause of evangelism.

To those that do not know Bro. Simmons and need a good preacher, leader and organizer I commend him.

—W. C. Howard

Flora Baptist Church

IN MEMORIAM

HOME-GOING OF MISS VIRGINIA
HAMILTON

By J. E. Gwatkin, B. B. I.

Wonderful has been God's care of the students of the Baptist Bible Institute. During eleven sessions, with the enrollment running as high at times as three hundred, only two students have died here. The first was in the influenza epidemic which raged the first session. The second was the dearly beloved daughter of our President, Miss Virginia Hamilton, who passed away at the Baptist Hospital January 25th after a month's severe illness. She had not been strong since an operation at John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore some three years ago. The saving of her life at that time was due to the marvelous skill of the surgeons and physicians, with the devoted care of parents and nurses. In this later attack all that skill and attention and prayer could do availed not and God took her to be with himself.

She was born in Louisville, Ky., November 21, 1904, during her father's pastorate in that city. At fifteen years of age she attended Westhampton College, University of Richmond. Because of her mother's ill health she went to Florida and spent one session in Stetson University. When Dr. Hamilton became pastor of the St. Charles Ave. Church of New Orleans, she gave up her plan of returning to Westhampton and came with her family to this city where she finished her course in two years at Newcomb College, graduating at the age of nineteen. She took classes also in the Bible Institute, being greatly beloved by the students here, as she was by her classmates in the other schools.

She had done considerable Christian work aside from her own church in which she was always active. She taught Sunday school, was a leader in the young people's work, being specially fond of work with girls. She did Sunday school work for a time in Virginia. She was G. A. leader for New Orleans; did this kind of work at the Louisiana Encampment at Mandeville, and for a time wrote the G. A. programs in World Comrades, under Miss Juliette Mather.

In addition to a bright, quick, alert mind, which made her an apt and inspiring pupil, she had a most loving, sympathetic and magnetic personality. Her fidelity and loyalty to the high principles she learned from childhood in the home and church gave her an unusual influence over her classmates. After her death letters came from many of them in different places testifying to their debt of gratitude to her during her school days. She lived her sweet, firm, gentle and sympathetic life so that all who came in contact felt its power. In a telegram one friend said, "I can say that she lived the most beautiful Christian life I have ever been privileged to know." Another wrote, "We who lived with her in school feel that

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she surely walked with God." Still another, a stranger, wrote to tell of the great impression made in just a brief report given in one of the meetings she attended in a distant city. All who came in contact with her felt the pervasive force of her consecrated personality. Perhaps no better index to her character and to the secret of her influence could be given than the sentiments so beautifully expressed in the following lines which she wrote at West-hampton College at the age of fif-teen:

My Prayer

Here's my heart, oh, gentle Saviour,
Make in it Thy royal throne;
Rule in me as King and Shepherd,
Take my heart, it is Thine own.

Here's my life, oh, blessed Jesus—
Life that Thou didst give to me—
With Thy guiding hand to lead me,
Use it now, oh Lord, for Thee.

Let not sin or selfish pleasure
Come into my heart, I pray,
Ever thoughtful, Lord, of others,
Help me live from day to day.

In each thought and word and action
Make me willing, Lord, to say,
"Though the world may turn against
me,
Saviour, Thou shalt have Thy
way."

If Thy plan for me, dear Father,
Leads me far o'er land or sea,
Give me faith, I pray, to follow,
And to give my best to Thee.

If to stay at home and labor
Is my mission here below,
Help me give my all for Jesus
And His love to others show.

Help me live to-day, to-morrow,
So my friends each day may see
That the life of joy and blessing
Is the life that's given to Thee.

This was her soul's desire, and nobly did she strive to live up to it. Her funeral service, held at the St. Charles Avenue Church, was at- tended by a large congregation. Dr. Carter Helm Jones, the pastor, con- ducted the services, aided by Dr. B. H. Deemnt. Mr. H. W. Jeneson, of the Baptist Bible Institute, sang the words of the poem given above, which he set to music for the oc- casion. None who were present can ever forget the impression of that beautiful service, which was all a Christian funeral ought to be. The triumphant prayer of Dr. DeMent, the appropriate scripture, the ex- quisitely chosen words of Dr. Jones and the music all conspired to make us realize the fact that for the Christian death is swallowed up in victory. Her body was laid to rest on a glorious Sunday afternoon in beautiful Metairie Cemetery, there to await the coming of her Lord.

RESOLUTIONS

Wherein God in his infinite wis- dom and purpose has removed from earth to Heaven our beloved sister, Ida M. Buckley, and whereas we shall feel keenly the loss of her counsel and companionship an ex-

ample in the church, Sunday School and W. M. U.

Therefore, resolved, first, that we bow with reverence and submission to the wisdom of our Heavenly Father, who cannot make a mistake but doeth all things after the coun- sel of his own will and wish.

Resolved, second, that the church and Sunday School express their sympathy and condolence to the be- reaved family in their deep sorrow and loss.

Resolved, third, that we realize our loss is Heaven's gain, for earth is poorer and Heaven is richer.

Resolved, fourth, that these reso- lutions be recorded on our Minutes and that we request their publica- tion in The Baptist Record, and a copy be forwarded the family.

E. C. Massengale
Committee Mrs. H. D. Hamrick
Mrs. J. C. Cross

Suddeths

Jan. 14th, 1929, Mrs. Sallie Sud- deth, age 72, passed to her heav- enly reward. Three days later her husband, N. L. Suddeth, age 71, also passed away. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday and Friday in the McAdams Baptist Church, after which their bodies were laid to rest in the Samaria burying ground.

These two servants of God bore their affliction with patience and when the end came they gloriously pillowed their head on the bosom of Christ in peaceful sleep. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord". They were faithful and devoted mem- bers of McAdams Baptist Church. We feel keenly our loss.

They leave three children, Mrs. Louis Gowen and Furman Suddeth of McAdams and Roy Suddeth of Durant, a number of grandchildren with a host of friends to mourn their going. To the grief-stricken loved ones we extend the deepest sympa- thy of our heart. May your sorrow- ing hearts be reconciled to the will of God, who doeth all things well and never makes a mistake.

—J. B. Perry, Their Pastor.

Percy Thomas

"Gloom which comes with death spreads itself over the town of Wal- nut Grove."

The entire town of Walnut Grove was shocked Thursday, January the twenty-fourth, as perhaps it had never been before, when one of the most noble Christian young men of the community, Percy Thomas, took his departure from this earth to the Father's house above. He was one of the most faithful and loyal mem- bers of the B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School, and a more consistent mem- ber of the church among young peo- ple could not be found.

He was a favorite of the young people, and with almost everyone who knew him. He will be greatly missed from among his young friends, as well as the entire church and other organizations of which he was a member.

Percy was just in his eighteenth year with seemingly a bright and useful career before him. Why he should have slipped away from us as he did, we are not able to under- stand, but we feel he has not lived

in vain, for though he was with us for this brief time, we feel that his life spoke a message which will be heard by his loved ones and friends throughout time.

We prayerfully commend his loved ones who feel this sting of grief so keenly, to the God of all comfort; and pray earnestly, that they shall find much joy in carrying out in their lives Percy's last message.

Lovingly his pastor,

—C. T. Johnson.

G. W. James

Whereas it has pleased our Heav- enly Father in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst our late beloved G. W. James, whose earthly existence has been cut off by his un- timely death, and whereas that though we are unable to shake him by his friendly hand and hear again his pleasant voice, yet we know that he has gone to dwell in that home where he will reap his just reward for the noble deeds and acts done and performed by him while on earth, and whereas our church shall so keenly feel his loss in his timely council and his defense of the gospel of peace on earth and good will to men; resolved:

That we hereby express to Mrs. G. W. James and his family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in their loss of husband and father.

Resolved that a copy of these res- olutions duly endorsed by Montrose Baptist Church in conference be transmitted to Mrs. G. W. James and a copy sent to The Baptist Rec- ord and Jasper County News for publication, and a copy of the same spread on our minutes this Feb. 3, 1929.

L. E. Lightsey,
J. J. Hardy,
Mrs. J. N. Tate,
Committee.

UNION

We have just completed our new church and held our first service Sunday Feb. 3rd. We have an aud- itorium that seats seven hundred and fifty but we had over nine hun- dred in it last Sunday. We have thirty nine rooms for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work.

We had over three hundred in Sunday School last Sunday and sev- enty in B. Y. P. U. We have the Baptist Record in every home in our membership and I think there has never been a building program put on where the entire membership re- mained as loyal and united as the church has here. There has not been a hitch in the work since it was begun.

May the blessing of our Lord a- bide on you and the Record. We thank God for what you have done and for the Record as one of our greatest assets in Kingdom build- ing.

Pray for us. I am anxious that the church here shall be as loyal to the whole program of our Lord's work as they have been to the home program.

Besides the church they have built a nice brick veneer home for the pastor. No pastor has a finer membership, more loyal and thought- ful than the little preacher in Un-

ion. I have been here seven years, in this time we have built two pas- tor's homes, an annex to the old church, and now a new church. We have seen the membership grow from two hundred and twenty-five to four hundred and seventy. We have gone from half time to full time, but to the Lord belongs the praise and the faithfulness of His people here.

To the building committee, com- posed of brethren; I. M. Gallespy, W. R. Moore, R. T. Staton, W. L. White and B. E. Tolbert together with the finance committee, com- posed of brethren; J. L. Lewis, W. N. McLemore, Perry Stribling, J. C. Bishop and O. L. Milling and the faithful followers in the church be- longs the credit for our wonderful achievement.

Yours in Kingdom Service,

—G. O. Parker.

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PERSONALITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Pastor A. Reilly Copeland
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Waco,
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Gen. 5:24, And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him. Amos 3:3,7, Shall two walk together, except they have agreed? Surely the Lord Jehovah will do nothing except he reveal his secret unto his servants the prophets. Rom. 8:14,16, For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God. The Spirit himself beareth witness with our Spirit, that we are children of God. Gal. 5:24-26, And they that are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with the passions and the lusts thereof. If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk. Let us not become vainglorious, provoking one another, envying one another.

The Doctrine of the Personality of the Holy Spirit is Essential for Worship, Service, Experience and Power.

Heb. 3:4-10, For every house is builded by some one; but he that built all things is God. And Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken; but Christ as a son, over his house; whose house are we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope firm unto the end. Wherefore, even as the Holy Spirit saith, Today if ye shall hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, Like as in the day of the trial in the wilderness, Where your fathers tried me by proving me, And saw my works forty years. Wherefore I was displeased with this generation, And said, They do always err in their heart: But they did not know my ways.

1—Any one who knows God the Father and God the Son and doesn't know the Holy Spirit as a Person has not attained to the Bible conception of God nor to the fullest Christian experience. I Cor. 12:1-3.

2—One must know the Holy Spirit as a Person and rely upon His intimate presence for both protection and guidance to appreciate and reverence Him in the wonderful joy of worship and fellowship. John 14:19, 25,26.

3—We must know the Holy Spirit as a Person and not regard Him as a mere influence or power that we may use more at our will, but, should ask the question "How can the Holy Spirit get more of me and use me for Christ's glory according to His holy Will? I Cor. 6:19,20.

4—To really know the Holy Spirit as a Person will actually transform the believer's experience and give a lasting testimony to the wonderful blessings received and stay him or her through the stressful days in which we're living that try men's souls to the very limit of endurance. I Cor. 1:6-9.

Some Plain Bible Proofs of the Personality of the Holy Spirit to Seeking Saints.

1—Distinctive marks of Personality are ascribed to the Holy Spirit

such as Knowledge, Feeling and Will. Hands, feet, eyes, ears, nose, mouth, etc., are corporeity and not marks of personality. 2 Cor. 5:8.

(a) Knowledge is ascribed to the Holy Spirit. I Cor. 2:11.

(b) The Holy Spirit can get hold of us and use us for Christ. I Cor. 12:11.

(c) "The mind of the Spirit" conveys knowledge, feeling and will. Rom. 8:27.

(d) Did you ever kneel down and thank the Holy Spirit for His great love to you? Rom. 15:30.

(e) Both intelligence and goodness are ascribed to the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament. Neh. 9:20.

(f) "Let us, our image" and "Our God is One Jehovah" denote plurality of Persons in the Godhead. Gen. 1:26. Deut. 6:4. Col. 2:9.

(g) To know the Holy Spirit intimately as a Person and realize His grief and sensitiveness over our slightest sins makes us more careful to live a holy life. Eph. 4:30. I Thess. 5:19,21,23.

Many Acts are Ascribed to the Holy Spirit which only a Divine Person Could Perform.

Isa. 63:9,10, In all their affliction he was afflicted and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his piety he redeemed them and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. Bpt they rebelled, and grieved his Holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them. Mat. 3:16,17. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway from the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon him; and lo, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased. Mat. 4:1. Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

1—The Holy Spirit searches into the deep things of God and reveals them unto us. I Cor. 2:9,10.

2—The Holy Spirit intercedes for us as Christ intercedes, advocates and prays in our behalf. Rom. 8:26. Heb. 7:25. I John 2:1,2.

3—The Holy Spirit is a living Personal Teacher today ready to instruct every believer that will study God's Word under His guidance. John 16:12-14. John 2:20.

A Divine Office is Predicated to the Holy Spirit Which Only a Divine Person Could Fill.

John 16:16,17, A little while, and ye behold me no more; and again a little while, and ye shall see me. Some of his disciples therefore said one to another, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye behold me not; and again a little while, and ye shall see me: And, Because I go to the Father?

1—When Jesus went away, He sent another Divine Person, the Holy Spirit as Comforter "Advocate" "Called along side" to take His place in the world till He comes again. John 16:7-11.

2—Knowing that the Holy Spirit is by your side delivers the believer from self fear, mob fear, perilous

paths, dark places, sleepiness, loneliness, bereavement, timidity and every emergency. John 14:1-3, 27-29.

3—Conclusion is, the Holy Spirit is a Divine Person and we must treat him as such in the same light as God the Father and God the Son; Just as a loving, tender, kind, wise, good, faithful, strong, and worthy of our confidence in deepest devotion of worship, service and praise. Mat. 28:18-20. 2 Cor. 13:14. I John 5:5-8.

Dr. S. G. Posey of Coliseum Place Church, New Orleans, is helping Pastor W. C. Howard in a meeting at Flora. Brother Posey has been pastor in Mississippi, at Magee, Collins, Durant and Biloxi.

Dr. Arch C. Cree and Dr. L. R. Christie, representing the Home Mission Board, visited the Tubercular Sanatorium at El Paso recently. Probably some recommendation will be made at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention March 5.

It is reported in one of our exchanges that Dr. Compere will retire from the editorship of the Baptist Advance in Arkansas on June first. Some time ago Dr. Compere offered his resignation as editor but was requested to continue at least until June 1.

The advocates of tolerance will have a man sized task before them if they will direct their attention to the outrages being perpetrated in Mexico by Catholics in revenge for the execution of Toral. This man killed the president-elect of Mexico and gloried in it up to the day of his death, claiming that it was his religious duty. A few days after his execution an effort was made to kill the president of Mexico by dynamiting a train on which he was a passenger. The fireman was killed but others were unhurt. Threatening letters were sent to the director of prison, and dynamite bombs were placed in the office of the governor. These are the folks that don't want anybody's religion criticized. They prefer to say it with bombs.

Pastor W. M. Bostick writes from Clarksdale: Our work is going in a fine way. We had to our assistance Brother George Burnett of Memphis—a church financial expert. He was a great inspiration and help to my people. He is the most practical man I know in his line. Any church needing help in putting on a real program will do well to procure his services. Our budget was set at \$16,640. We pledged over \$20,000. The church has put on a Church Secretary. Recently we employed Mr. Rodger Hickman as Musical Director. He was formerly connected with the Home Board Evangelistic Staff. In the four months of my work here we have added seventy-five members. We greatly rejoice in seeing the work go forward. By divine aid we are going to build here in the heart of the Delta one of the strongest churches in the state.



Saturday, Feb. 16

- 6:30 A.M. Sacred Music—Muscatine, Iowa—KTNT.
- 9:30 A.M. Bible Lovers Meditations—Columbus, Ohio—WAIU.
- 10:00 A.M. Baptist General Convention—Oklahoma City, Okla.—KFJF.
- 12:15 P.M. Organ Recital—Denver, Colo.—KOA.
- 6:15 P.M. International Sunday School Lesson—Nashville, Tenn.—WSM.
- 10:00 P.M. International Sunday School Lesson—Denver, Colo.—KOA.

Sunday, Feb. 17

- 6:30 A.M. Sacred Music—Muscatine, Iowa—KTNT.
- 7:30 A.M. Devotional Service—Kansas City, Mo.—KMBC.
- 8:00 A.M. Bible Study—Kansas City, Mo.—KMBC.
- 12:00 Noon Sacred Program—Muscatine, Iowa—KTNT.
- 12:00 Noon Organ Recital—Chicago, Ill.—WJBT.
- 12:30 P.M. Sunshine for Shut-Ins—Chicago, Ill.—WJBT.
- 1:00 P.M. Religious Music—Raleigh, N. C.—WPTF.
- 4:30 P.M. Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick—NBC System—Stations WJZ, New York; WBAL, Baltimore; WBZ, Springfield; WLW, Cincinnati; WHAM, Rochester; WBZA, Boston; WREN, Kansas City; KWK, St. Louis; and chain.
- 7:30 P.M. First Baptist Church—Oklahoma City, Okla.—KFJF.

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